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10/31/52

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CP, USA, MEMBERSHIP, IS-C. DAYLET. [REDACTED]

THAT THE CP IN DISTRICT THIRTEEN IS ANALYSING ITS REGISTRATION TO DETERMINE
THE FOLLOWING:

MR. BOARDMAN
✓ MR. WHELAN
MR. HARGETT
MR. MacLEN
MR. BRUCCI
MR. FITZGERALD
✓ MR. GILLESPIE
MR. HALPIN
MR. LEVVIS
MR. MARCHESE AULT
MR. McANDREY
✓ NIGHT SUPERVISOR
MR. RAGAN
MR. SPENCER
✓ MR. WALSH
✓ MR. WILLIS
✓ MR. WOHL
✓ PERSONNEL UNIT
PROPERTY UNIT
TRAINING UNIT

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- ONE: PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL MEMBERSHIP WHO ARE INDUSTRIAL WORKERS.
- TWO: PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL MEMBERSHIP IN BASIC INDUSTRIES.
- THREE: NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN STEEL, MARITIME, BUILDING TRADES, AND AGRICULTURE.
- FOUR: PERCENTAGE OF MEMBERS WHO ARE AFFILIATED WITH UNIONS.
- FIVE: NUMBER OF MEMBERS AFFILIATED WITH AFL, CIO AND INDEPENDENT UNIONS.
- SIX: PERCENTAGE OF MEMBERSHIP AFFILIATED WITH "LEFT ORGANIZATIONS" AND "RIGHT ORGANIZATIONS".
- SEVEN: NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN CULTURAL AND SOCIAL CLUBS, FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS, PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATIONS, CHURCHES, PENSION AND VETERAN ORGANIZATIONS.
- EIGHT: NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN PEACE ORGANIZATIONS.
- NINE: NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS THE NEGRO LABOR COUNCIL, THE NAT'L ASSOC FOR ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE, THE NEGRO ELKS, THE NEGRO MASON, NEGRO CHURCHES AND NEGRO CULTURAL AND SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS.
- WHR:k

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cc: ✓ New York (AIRMAIL - REGISTERED)
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TEN: NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN ANNA AND OTHER MEXICAN ORGANIZATIONS.

ELEVEN: NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN THE FARM BUREAU, THE FARMERS GRANGES AND OTHER FARM ORGANIZATIONS.

TWELVE: NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN LABOR YOUTH LEAGUE, IWCA, YMCA, AND OTHER YOUTH GROUPS.

THIRTEEN: NUMBER OF MEMBERS AFFILIATED WITH VARIOUS POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS.

FOURTEEN: NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN CATHOLIC ORGANIZATIONS.

D. K. BROWN

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York
FROM : Director, FBI
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
MEMBERSHIP FIGURES

DATE: November 28, 1952

Set forth below you will find a list of figures which the Bureau has available relating to Communist Party membership in the United States on a year-to-year basis from 1919 to 1952.

You will observe that for some years the Bureau possesses no membership figures.

It is requested that you make an effort to supply estimated figures for those years relative to which the Bureau has none. It is believed you may be able to do this through your informants.

The obvious purpose behind this request is to possess a list of Communist Party, USA, membership figures extending from 1919 through 1952 without any gaps. In forwarding your reply to the Bureau, mark it to the attention of the Central Research Desk.

The following are the estimates now in the possession of
the Bureau:

Earl Browder

1930	7,500
1931	8,339
1932	12,936
1933	16,814
1934	24,500
1935	30,000
1936	40,000
1938	75,000
1944	66,000 (approximately 13,000 in the armed forces)
1945	80,000
1948	60,000

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Re: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, MEMBERSHIP FIGURES

William Z. Foster

1929	7,000
1930	7,500
1931	9,000
1932	14,000
1933	18,000
1934	26,000
1935	30,000
1936	41,000

Other Estimates

1919	58,000	Communist Party of America
1919	10,000	Communist Labor Party
1920 (July)	8,500	Communist Party of America
1921 (May)	5,700	United Communist Party
1921 (May)	6,328	Communist Party of America
1923 (Dec.)	25,000	Workers Party
1932	14,000	
1934 (April)	24,500	
1936 (June)	41,000	
1938 (May)	75,000	
1944	80,000	
1946	78,941	
1947	74,000	
1948	60,000	
1949	54,174	
1950	52,669	
1951	43,217	
1952	24,674	

November 25, 1952

EXCERPT FROM
SAC LT. NO. 124
Series 1952

(D) COMMUNIST PARTY, USA - MEMBERSHIP - INTERNAL SECURITY - C -- Recently a reliable source advised that District No. 5 (Western Pennsylvania) Communist Party leaders have issued an order to register all Communist Party members of the "Hill Section" of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, by January 1953. No cards, books, or receipts are to be issued. As a further security measure, the only record kept of payments by members will be reversed initials of the members. For example, Fred Jones would be recorded as "J.F." All offices should be alert to the obtaining of all pertinent information relating to the Communist Party registration which is now under way and the Bureau should be kept currently informed.

In connection with the above-mentioned security measures, you are referred to Section G of SAC Letter No. 83 dated August 29, 1952, which points out that in at least one district records concerning membership, funds, etc., are still maintained. Therefore, it should be borne in mind that security measures such as the use of reversed initials in registering members may well be only a tactic to reassure the members but, in fact, in all probability complete records are being maintained. Every reasonable attempt should be made to locate and ascertain the content of such records.

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DIRECTOR

CP-USA, MEMBERSHIP, DISTRICT FIVE, PITTSBURGH DIVISION,

DAYLET. [REDACTED] OF KNOWN RELIABILITY, ADVISED THAT CHARLES CLOSE, CP SECTION ORGANIZER, WASHINGTON COUNTY, PA., HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED BY MORRIS SCHINDLER, MEMBER, DISTRICT FIVE CP UNDERGROUND COMMITTEE, TO REGISTER ALL CP MEMBERS IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY AREA FOR 1953 AND THAT ALL DUES FOR 1952 MUST BE COLLECTED. INFORMANT STATED CLOSE WAS ADVISED BY SCHINDLER THAT NO RECORD OF NAMES IS TO BE KEPT AND THAT ONLY OCCUPATION, AGE, SEX, AND RACE SHOULD BE RECORDED.

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cc: V1 - New York (RM)

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COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
MEMBERSHIP
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Rebulet 11/28/52.

In compiling membership statistics of the Communist Party, USA, for the years 1919 to 1952, the question arose: What is a Communist Party member?

The current constitution of the CPUSA states that "A Party member is one who accepts the aims, principles and program of the Party as determined by its constitution and conventions, who belongs to a club and attends its meetings, who is active in behalf of the Party, who reads the Party press and literature and pays dues regularly".

With respect to dues, the constitution provides that Party members, three months in arrears in payment of dues cease to be members in good standing and members six months in arrears shall be dropped from membership.

From the figures encountered from various sources, it was difficult to determine whether they referred to dues paying members, registered members or actual members. JACK STACHEL once observed that dues paying members averaged 60 percent of the actual membership.

Actually, according to the constitution, only dues paying members in good standing should be considered as members. For the purpose of this compilation, however, the criterion of actual membership was used, i.e., all members in good standing plus those not in good standing because of failure to pay dues regularly, but who nevertheless remain on the Party's rolls till dropped. It was felt that this category would give a more accurate picture of the Party's membership than either of the other two.

The underlined figures are those believed to be, in the opinion of the New York Office, the best estimate of the Party's actual membership during any particular year although the Bureau should feel free to make its own estimate on the basis of the statistics set forth.

The figures contained in this letter were compiled from rebulet, from reports, books, pamphlets, magazines, publications and files available in the New York Office, and from [redacted] In each instance the source is given.

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1919

58,000 (Aug.) (Communist Party of America) ("The Communist" & Rebulet)
23,744 (Nov.) (Dues paying) (Communist Party of America)
 (William Z. Foster)
10,000 (Communist Labor Party) (Foster & Rebulet)

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1920

5,584 (March) (CPA) (Foster)
8,500 (July) (CPA) (Foster and Rebulet)

1921

5,700 (May) (United Communist Party) (Rebulet)
6,328 (May) (CPA) (Rebulet)

1922

14,000 [redacted]

1923

15,395 (Foster)
25,000 (Dec.) (Workers Party) (Rebulet)

1924

15,000 [redacted]

1925

14,000 (Jack Stachel)
16,325 (Foster)

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1926

7,599 (Stachel)

1927

8,200 (Stachel)

1928

3,500 [redacted]

1929

7,000 (Earl Browder)
9,642 (Foster)

1930

7,545 ("The Communist")

1931

8,339 (1st half) (Browder)
9,219 (2nd half) (Browder)
9,000 (Foster)

1932

12,936 (1st half) (Browd.r)
14,474 (2nd half) (Browder)
14,000 (Foster and Rebulet)

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1933 16,814 (1st half) (Browder)
 19,165 (2nd half) (Browder)
 18,000 (Foster)

1934 24,500 (March) (Foster, Browder and Rebulet)
 26,000 (End of year) (Foster and Browder)

1935 30,000 (Foster and Browder)

1936 40,000 (June) (Browder)
 41,000 (Foster and Browder)

1937 52,000 (Aug.) (Stachel)

1938 55,000 (Feb.) (Stachel)
 75,000 (May) (Foster, Browder and Rebulet)

1939 70,000 [redacted]

1940 55,000 [redacted]

1941 55,000 [redacted] b7D

1942 60,000 [redacted]

1943 65,000 (Foster)

1944 66,000 (Including 13,000 in Armed Forces) (Browder)
 50,000 (Including 15,000 in Armed Forces) (Foster and Rebulet)

1945 80,000 (Early part) (Browder)
 52,500 (Mid-year) (Winston)

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1946

51,813 (June) (██████████)
66,000 (Nov.) (Winston)
79,941 (Rebulet)

1947

59,221 (Jan.) (██████████)
74,000 (Jan.) (Daily Worker)
65,000 (March) (William Albertson, CP official)
74,000 (Rebulet)

1948

63,000 (Oct.) (██████████)

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54,174 (Dec.) (Rebulet)

1949

46,000 (March) (Winston)
52,659 (Rebulet)

1950

43,217 (1st part) (Rebulet)
37,761 (1st part) (██████████)
28,671 (Dec.) (Rebulet)

1952

24,674 (June) (Rebulet)

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: December 18, 1952

cc: FROM Director, FBI (100-3-68)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA - MEMBERSHIP
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

There is attached hereto for your information the best estimate of the Communist Party membership as furnished by all field divisions. It is noted that the current figure of 24,796 reflects an increase of 122 from the June 30, 1952, figure of 24,674. The figures are set out according to districts, states, territories, and field divisions.

Attachment

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James R.S.

COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBERSHIP

As of September 30, 1952

The following figures are set out according to districts, states, territories and field divisions:

DISTRICTS

	<u>Total</u>		<u>States included in Districts</u>
District 1	583		Maine 80 N. Hampshire 32 Massachusetts 500 Vermont 20 Rhode Island 31
District 2	11,764		New York 11,764
District 3	709		Penn. 695 Delaware 34
District 4	260		Maryland 210 Dist. of Col. 50
District 5	274		West Pa. 274
District 6	1,284		Ohio 1,226 Ky. 50 Four panhandle counties in W. Va. 10
District 7	350		Michigan 350
District 8	1,592		Illinois 1,492 Indiana 100 (Lake Co.)
District 9	300		Minn. 237 N. Dakota 25 S. Dakota 18

It is noted that some states are covered by more than one CP district; therefore, a total compilation for the individual states is also being included in this memorandum.

DISTRICTS (cont.)

District 10	150	Indiana	150
District 11	200	Oregon	200
District 12	157	Washington	150
		Alaska	?
District 13	3,954	California	3,699
		Arizona	105
		Nevada	14
		Hawaii	35
District 14	1,070	N. Jersey	1,070
District 15	590	Connecticut	590
District 16	347	Wisconsin	347
District 17	156	Colorado	150
		N. Mexico	32
		Wyoming	0
		Li Poco Area of Texas	4
District 21	209	Missouri	209
District 22	100	East Va.	100
District 23	163	Texas except Li Poco area	163
District 24	40	Louisiana	40
District 25	135	Florida	135
District 26	40	Virginia	40
District 27	104	Alabama	73
		Mississippi	4
		Tennessee	27
District 28	107	Oklahoma	59
		Arkansas	34
District 29	60	N. Carolina	62
		S. Carolina	0

DISTRICTS (cont.)

District 30	56	Montana	26
		Idaho	30
District 31	23	Georgia	23
District 32	70	Nebraska	25
		Iowa	25
		Kansas	20
District 35	72	Utah	72

TERRITORIES

Alaska *	7		7
Hawaii **	36		36
Puerto Rico	64		64

Total 24,796

Total 24,796

MEMBERSHIP IN STATES & TERRITORIES

Alabama	73	Mass.	500	S. Carolina	6
Arizona	105	Michigan	350	S. Dakota	18
Arkansas	24	Minnesota	257	Tennessee	27
California	3,699	Mississippi	4	Texas	172
Colorado	120	Missouri	209	Utah	72
Connecticut	580	Montana	26	Vermont	20
Delaware	14	Nebraska	25	Virginia	40
District of Columbia	50	Nevada	14	Washington	150
Florida	135	N. Hampshire	22	W. Virginia	110
Georgia	23	New Jersey	1,070	Wisconsin	347
Idaho	30	New Mexico	32	Wyoming	0
Illinois	1,492	New York	11,764	Alaska	7
Indiana	250	N. Carolina	62	Hawaii	36
Iowa	25	N. Dakota	25	Puerto Rico	64
Kansas	20	Ohio	1,224		
Kentucky	50	Oklahoma	83		
Louisiana	40	Oregon	100	Total	<u>24,796</u>
Maine	20	Penna.	969		
Maryland	210	Rhode Island	81		

*This figure is also computed in District 12.

**This figure is also computed in District 13.

MEMBERSHIP IN FIELD DIVISIONS

Albany	264	Houston	92	Omaha	50
Albuquerque	32	Indianapolis	250	Philadelphia	695
Anchorage	7	Kansas City	54	Phoenix	105
Atlanta	19	Knoxville	8	Pittsburgh	384
Baltimore	224	Little Rock	24	Portland	100
Birmingham	50	Los Angeles	2,446	Richmond	20
Boston	573	Louisville	50	St. Louis	175
Buffalo	321	Memphis	20	Salt Lake City	86
Butte	56	Miami	135	San Antonio	36
Charlotte	64	Milwaukee	347	San Diego	79
Chicago	1,373	Minneapolis	300	San Francisco	1,174
Cincinnati	129	Mobile	23	San Juan	64
Cleveland	1,095	Newark	1,070	Savannah	8
Dallas	42	New Haven	590	Seattle	150
Denver	120	New Orleans	43	Springfield	119
Detroit	350	New York	11,199	WFO	50
El Paso	4	Norfolk	20		
Honolulu, T.H.	36	Oklahoma City	83		

Total

26,796

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NY

FROM : R. H. BLASSER, SA (100-80638)

SUBJECT: CP, USA, MEMBERSHIP
IS - C

DATE: 1/8/53

Attached hereto is a report dated 12/19/52 and
from [redacted] by the writer on 12/29/52.

The informant in the report sets forth information
being secured from CP members in registering them for 1953
and the manner in which it is recorded. CP members now
members of a trade union will be transferred from neighborhood
CP clubs to CP units within the trade unions. The CP desires
all members to be registered by February 3, 1953.

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The original report is maintained as serial number 27
in [redacted]

1 [redacted]

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No. members transferred

Member of what union now.

Members of following unions to be transferred from CP clubs.

Amalgamated

I.A.M.

I.B.E.W.

Longshore

Teamsters

Bldg. Trades

Marinetime

Information to appear
in separate report on
each C.P. member regis-
tered.

Ages: Under 21. 21, to 25, 26 to 35, 36 to 45, 46 to 55,
over 55.

Length of time in Party

1 to 2

3 to 5

6 to 10

11 to 15

16 to 20

Industry

Heavy

Light

White collar

Self employed

Unemployed

1	Dec. 22	25%
2	Dec. 29	40%
3	Jan. 6	60%
4	Jan. 13	75%
5	Jan. 20	90%
6	Jan. 27	95%
7	Feb. 3	100%

Clubs must be referred to by
number, not by name.

Sex	Age	Time in Party	National Group
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Occupation	Union affiliation (exact name)	Mass Org.
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Monday, December 22, parking lot Union Turnpike and Main Street,
Flushing, 8:30 P.M.

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TO : SAC, New York (100-80638)

DATE: 12/24/52

FROM : SAC, Albany (100-9555)

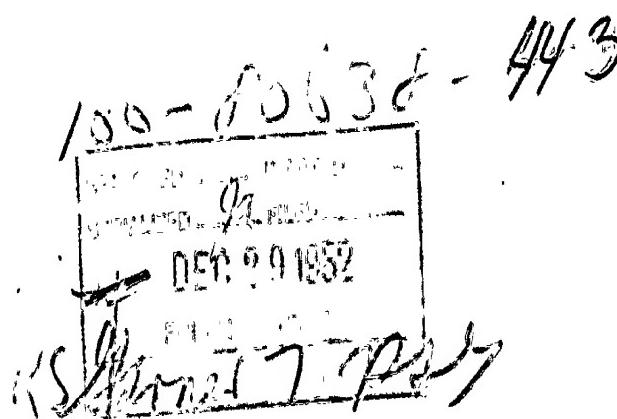
SUBJECT: CP, USA
District No. 2
New York Division
Membership
IS - C

Re Albany Letters dated March 31, 1952, June 25, 1952,
and Sept. 29, 1952, captioned as above.

A review of the information furnished by Confidential
Informants and Sources in the Albany Division reflects
there has been no change from the data furnished in
Albany letter of March 31, 1952.

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REG. MAIL

cc: Buffalo (100-4379)- REG. MAIL



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Office of INVESTIGATION • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-80638)

FROM : SAC, Buffalo (100-4379-68)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
DISTRICT NO. 2, BUFFALO DIVISION
MEMBERSHIP
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: Dec. 24, 1952

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Re my letter September 30, 1952, concerning the estimate of CP membership in the Buffalo Division.

It is estimated that there are approximately 254 CP members in that part of the Sub-District of the CP which lies in the Buffalo Division. This figure is broken down as follows:

On June 17, 1952, [redacted] of known reliability, advised SA EDWARD J. THILL that on June 11, 1952, SHIRLEY KAPLAN, a member of the Executive Committee of the Erie County CP, stated during a CP meeting, that there were as of that time about 200 CP members in the Buffalo area. According to the informant, this includes Lackawanna, Tonawanda, and North Tonawanda, New York. SHIRLEY KAPLAN reportedly advised that there are no members in Niagara Falls, New York.

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On November 18, 1952, [redacted] of known reliability, advised SA LAWRENCE F. MUNLEY that as of that time there were approximately thirty-three (33) CP members in Monroe County, which includes Rochester, New York.

[redacted] of known reliability, on May 21, 1952, told SA CHRISTOPHER W. NELSON that there were eleven (11) CP members in the Jamestown, New York area.

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[redacted] of known reliability, advised SA LOREN E. BIDWELL on April 18, 1952, that there were ten (10) members in the Elmira, New York area.

The foregoing information is being submitted so the New York Office will have figures on the membership in the Buffalo Division for inclusion in its quarterly report on District No. 2.

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cc - Albany (100-9555)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

FROM : RICHARD H. BLASSER, SA (100-85300)

SUBJECT: CP, USA -
MEMBERSHIP
IS - C

DATE: 1/16/53

On 12/30/52, [redacted] furnished to the writer for photo-stating a form used to register members in the Communist Party for 1953.

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According to the informant the following information was solicited from each member:

Sex, age, time in party, National origin, occupation, Union affiliation, Mass organizations.

In regarding this information informant explained that the registrar and a form with the above seven captions listed in a horizontal column. Vertically on the form was a column numbered 1 through 10 beginning at the bottom. Each member his or her last initial on its back of the numbered partition together with the number which had been assigned to her club, e.g. B 4. Clubs were referred to by number and not by name. On the front of the sheet was the number of the registrant and the above listed items e.g. Sex, etc.

After each number is properly executed, it was torn off separately from the other numbers. As a result of this procedure, the identity of the registrant was known only to the registrar.

The original form was returned to the informant. However, a photostatic conv of the registration form is maintained as serial # 34, [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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NEW YORK

FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 1/19/53	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/19/52- 1/19/53	REPORT MADE BY RUSSELL S. GARNER
TITLE COMMUNIST PARTY, USA	CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C		

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

QUARTERLY PERIOD - OCTOBER 1
THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1952

Real control of CP, USA said to be in hands of relatively small group or committee of legal and illegal leadership. Serious organizational and political differences reportedly prevailing within National CP leadership at present time concerning alleged liquidationist tendencies of WILLIAM Z. FOSTER. Ultimate dissolution of CP, USA seen with formation of new organization. 1953 registration of membership taking place. New demands allegedly to be made on Party membership. "Daily Worker" exceeded goal in its \$50,000 fund drive. Party officials admit New York trial of Communist leaders has bled Party financially. CP continues to exercise caution in utilizing telephones and mails and in attending meetings. Danger and detection of "stool pigeons" within ranks emphasized. Sectarianism recognized as major obstacle in Party's peace activity. Peace in Korea continues as primary demand of CP, USA. 19th Congress of CPSU viewed as presaging revival of Popular Front by CPs everywhere. CP, USA critical of DULLES' appointment as Secretary of State. NY Federal Grand Jury disclosed "startling evidence" of infiltration in UN of "overwhelming large group" of disloyal US citizens. Employment of number of such individuals already terminated. Immediate unconditional independence of Puerto Rico demanded by CP, USA. Progressive Party

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and
independent
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supported by CP, USA in presidential election but draft resolution issued in December, 1952 by CP, USA indicates that Progressive Party is being abandoned and CP will endeavor to transfer its influence to and work among masses within Democratic Party. Passage of McCarran-Walter Act bitterly condemned by CP, USA. Efforts to save ROSENBERGS intensified by CP, USA and its adjuncts. CP, USA denounced ruling of SACB recommending that it be required to register. Amnesty a peals being made for jailed Communists. NY Federal Grand Jury recommended that NLRB revoke certification of UERMWA, ACA, IFLWU and DPOWA. VALB agitating to counter pro-Franco sentiment in US. Action on South African slayings asked of US delegation to UN. PAUL ROBESON awarded Stalin Peace Prize. LYD election platform included demand for peace in Korea, Big Five Peace Pact, rejection of UMT and repeal of SSA. American Nationality Women's Council challenged Mrs. ROOSEVELT on alleged use of germ warfare by US in Korea. CP organized farm work virtually non-existent. McCarran Act attacked as fascist drive to regiment American culture. Cultural leaders urge new trial for ROSENBERGS and immediate Korean cease-fire. Religious leaders ask for termination of war in Korea, repeal of ISA of 1950, amnesty for imprisoned Communists and clemency for ROSENBERGS. New Century Publishers publishing Stalin's "Economic Problems of Socialism in the USSR". Proceedings of 19th Congress of CPSU now being studied by CP members.

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GLOSSARY OF ORGANIZATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

The following is a list of organizations and publications referred to in this report, together with a characterization of each. These documentations will not be repeated elsewhere in the report:

AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF THE FOREIGN-BORN (ACPFB) - Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

AMERICAN LABOR PARTY (ALP) - A political party in New York State which is Communist controlled and dominated, according to Confidential Informant T-3.

AMERICAN VETERANS FOR PEACE (AVP) - A Communist front veterans' organization, according to Confidential Informant T-10.

AMERICAN WOMEN FOR PEACE (AWP) - A Communist front women's organization, according to Confidential Informant T-56.

"CHINA DAILY NEWS" - A pro-Communist Chinese language daily newspaper published in New York City, according to Confidential Informant T-12.

CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS (CRC) - Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

CONGRESS OF THE PROPLES FOR PEACE - Convened in Vienna in December 1952 by the World Peace Council, described hereinafter.

COUNCIL ON AFRICAN AFFAIRS (CAA) - Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

COUNCIL OF GREEK-AMERICANS (CGA) - A Communist front organization of Greek-Americans, according to Confidential Informant T-18.

"DAILY WORKER" (DW) - An East Coast Communist daily newspaper.

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"GREEK-AMERICAN TRIBUNE" - A pro-Communist weekly newspaper printed in Greek and English and published in New York City, according to Confidential Informant T-18.

INTERNATIONAL PUBLISHERS - Book publishing house for the Communist Party, USA, according to Confidential Informant T-3, and located in New York City.

JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE (JSSS) - Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

JEWISH PEOPLES FRATERNAL ORDER (JPFO) - A national group society of the International Workers Order, and cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

LABOR YOUTH LEAGUE (LYL) - Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

"MASSES AND MAINSTREAM" (M&M) - A Marxist cultural monthly published by Communists, according to Confidential Informant T-3.

METHODIST FEDERATION FOR SOCIAL ACTION (MFSA) - Has closely followed the Communist Party line for years, and while it is not an official agency of the Methodist Church, the MFSA has the active support of many bishops, pastors, and leading church officials throughout the United States, according to Confidential Informant T-55

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO DEFEND NEGRO LEADERSHIP (NCDNL) - A Communist front Negro organization, according to Confidential Informant T-36.

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO REPEAL THE MC CARRAN ACT (NCRMA) - A Communist front organization created for the purpose of securing repeal of the Internal Security Act of 1950, commonly called the McCarran Act, according to Confidential Informant T-4.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE (NCSJRC) - A Communist front organization formed to secure clemency for JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG, convicted atomic spies, according to Confidential Informant T-5.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF AMERICAN-SOVIET FRIENDSHIP (NCASF) - Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ARTS, SCIENCES, AND PROFESSIONS (NCASP) - Cited as a Communist front organization by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, Report Number 1954, dated April 19, 1949.

NATIONAL NEGRO LABOR COUNCIL (NNLC) - A Communist front Negro organization, according to Confidential Informant T-36.

NEW CENTURY PUBLISHERS - Pamphlet publishing house for the Communist Party, USA, according to Confidential Informant T-3, and located in New York City.

"NEW CHALLENGE" - A monthly publication of the Labor Youth League, described hereinbefore.

NEW YORK CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS (NYCRC) - New York chapter of the Civil Rights Congress, described hereinbefore.

"POLITICAL AFFAIRS" (PA) - Official monthly theoretical organ of the Communist Party, USA, according to testimony of ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, self-admitted member of the National

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Committee, Communist Party, USA, on October 20, 1952, in connection with the trial of "UNITED STATES v. ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN; ET AL".

PROGRESSIVE PARTY (PP) - According to Confidential Informant T-37, this organization has not been free to criticize the foreign policy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) since June 1950, and has always consistently followed the Soviet Union's foreign policy as opposed to that of the United States. The "Daily Worker" for November 3, 1952, Page 5, Column 1, stated that the Progressive Party is the American Labor Party in New York State.

SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE FOREIGN-BORN IN THE FIGHT AGAINST DEPORTATION - A Communist front youth organization, according to Confidential Informant T-35.

UNITED COMMITTEE OF JEWISH SOCIETIES AND LANDSMANSHAFT FEDERATIONS (UCJSLF) - A coordinating committee composed of various national Jewish organizations and trade unions which follows the Communist Party line, according to Confidential Informant T-5.

VETERANS OF THE ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE (VALB) - Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

"THE WORKER" - Sunday edition of the "Daily Worker", described hereinbefore.

WORLD PEACE COUNCIL - A Communist controlled and dominated body which sponsored First and Second World Peace Congresses in 1949 and 1950; the Congress of the Peoples for

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Peace in 1952; and the Stockholm Peace Appeal, according to Confidential Informants T-5 and T-20.

YIDDISHER KULTUR FARBAND (YKF) - Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

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DETAILS: This is a joint report covering pertinent activities of the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA), during the quarterly period, October 1 to December 31, 1952, prepared by the following Special Agents:

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MEMBERSHIP

(Bureau file 100-3-68)
(New York file 100-80638)

This section was prepared by SA RUSSELL S. GARNER.

1953 Registration of Membership
Now Taking Place

Confidential Informant T-39 reported that in Queens County in New York City, the 1953 registration of Communist Party membership began the second week in December, 1952. Informant said that during this registration, the following information was solicited from each member:

1. Sex
2. Age
3. Time in Party
4. National origin
5. Occupation
6. Union Affiliation
7. Mass organizations

In recording this information, Informant explained that the registrar used a form with the above seven captions listed in a horizontal column. Vertically on the form was a column numbered one through 10, beginning at the bottom. Each member signed his or her last initial on the back of the numbered portion, together with the number each had been assigned to his or her club, e.g. B4. Clubs were referred to by number, not by name. On the front of the sheet was the number of the registrant and the above-listed items 1-7. No other information appeared on this particular sheet.

After each number (1-10) was properly executed, it was torn off separately from the other numbers. As a result of this procedure, the identity of the registrant was known only to the registrar.

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Ages were recorded as follows:

Under 21, 21 to 25, 26 to 35, 36 to 45, 46 to 55,
over 55.

Length of time in the Party was noted in this
manner:

1 to 2 years, 3 to 5 years, 6 to 10 years, 11 to 15
years, 16 to 20 years.

Occupation was listed under the following categories:

Heavy industry, light industry, white collar,
self-employed, unemployed.

During the registration, Informant said, a separate
record was made of the number of members who belonged to various
unions and it was indicated that members of the following unions
would be transferred from community clubs to industrial clubs:

Amalgamated Clothing Workers
International Association of Machinists
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
Longshore
Teamsters
Building Trades
Maritime

A weekly record of the registration was to be turned
in to the Regional Financial Director until the registration was
complete, Informant reported.

According to the Informant, quotas listed below were
to be achieved on the following dates:

December 22, 1952	25%
December 29, 1952	40%
January 6, 1953	60%
January 13, 1953	75%
January 20, 1953	90%

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January 27, 1953	95%
February 3, 1953	100%

Informant stated that a record of dues payments was maintained by each club organizer in the form of a list containing the initials of each member and the amount of dues each paid.

New Demands to be Made on
Communist Party Membership

Confidential Informant T-7 stated that the Party is presently considering making more demands of the membership in the form of additional self-sacrifices, more activity and greater financial aid. Informant said that the Party will define the requirements of Party membership and it is believed that as a result of its efforts, many rank and file members will drop out of the Party, but that the Party welcomes the dropping out of these weak members.

According to the Informant, the tactical question that has arisen with the leadership as a result of this attitude is how to approach the membership with these new demands. Informant said the Party is considering the issuance of an article that would open up the whole question of what is expected of a Communist Party member by raising the question for discussion purposes. Informant said that it is proposed to first ideologically rearm the membership and secondly to follow through with organizational methods by giving the comrades added tasks to prove themselves, or making demands for more activity, or more funds. Informant said that if these demands are not carried out disciplinary measures will be taken.

Confidential Informant T-2 reported that the 1953 registration is under way and that section organizers are advising branch organizers to register "only those they wish", that is, only those in whom they have confidence. According to Informant, only four questions are being asked:

1. How long have you been in the Communist Party?

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2. What organization do you belong to (social, fraternal, union, etc.)?
3. Are your dues paid (a member will not be re-registered until his 1952 dues are completely paid)?
4. Do you read and contribute to the "Daily Worker" (this does not mean that a member must subscribe to this publication)?

Informant stated that the branch or group secretary writes the answers down, not using names, (since he has his own means of identifying the member) and sends a summary to the section. The section will report the figures to the state and the state, in turn, to the national leadership.

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T-1 NY-693-S*	Info re CP personnel b7D	10/1/52 through 12/31/52	
T-2 [redacted]	Interpretation of Popular Front; present status of CP organization and CP farm work	11/3/52	SA JOHN W. DOOLE SA RUSSELL S. GARNER
	Czechoslovakian spy trial; cover names in "Political Affairs" and "Daily Worker"; CP members studying proceedings of 19th Congress, CPSU; 1953 membership registration; and views on CP draft resolution on elections	12/30/52	SA JOHN W. DOOLE SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
T-3 [redacted] b7D	Info re CP organiza- tion	10/13/52	SA RUSSELL S. GARNER
	Documentation of ALP, TU, M&M, New Century Publishers, International Publishers, and ROSE RUSSELL		

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T-4 [redacted]	b7D Announcements of New Century Publishers	10/31/52	SA JAMES E. E. GIBLER, SE DENNIS A. CHESSHIR
		12/24/52	SA EVERETT K. DEANE, SE NICHOLAS J. HAND
	Info re Self-Defense Committee of the 17 Victims of the Smith Act		
	Documentation of AVP and NCRMA		
T-5 [redacted]	b7D Pamphlet "1952 Election Platform of CP"	11/4/52	SA JOHN W. DOOI
	CRC Conference 10/16/52	10/21/52	SA JOHN W. DOOI
	15th Anniversary Celebration of YKF, 10/25/52	11/17/52	SA JOHN W. DOOI

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	CRC meeting, 11/12/52	11/18/52	SA JOHN W. DOO
	HARRY BRIDGES Reception	12/11/52	SA JOHN W. DOO
	WILLIAM L. PATTERSON speaks on Trade Union Movement	11/24/52	SA JOHN W. DOO
	GUS HALL birthday meeting	10/16/52	SA JOHN W. DOO
	Security measures to protect CP functionaries	10/29/52	SA JOHN W. DOO
	Documentation of UCJSLF, World Peace Council, and NCSJRC		
T-6 [redacted]	b7D CP attitude toward JOHN FOSTER DULLES	11/28/52	SA ROBERT C. BURNS
T-7 [redacted]	Factionalism within CP; and dissolution of CP	9/18/52	SA CARL N. FREYMAN

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T-7 [redacted]	b7D Sectarianism within CP	10/31/52	SA CARL N. FREYMAN
	CP disappointed with NY trial publicity and info re PAUL ROBESON records	November 1952	SA CARL N. FREYMAN
	Info re CP meetings, differences within CP leadership	12/3, 8, 11/52	SA CARL N. FREYMAN
	Security at CP meetings, and info re Comfugs		
T-8 [redacted]	Letters of New Century Publishers, 11/24/52	12/5/52	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
T-9 [redacted]	Bank accounts of Workers Bookshop and families of Smith Act victims	12/1/52, 1/2/53	SA(A) DALE H. WILLIAMS
T-10 Former [redacted]	Documentation of AVP and PAULINE TAYLOR		

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T-11 [redacted]	Detection of sur- veillances	12/10/52	
	Documentation of PAULINE TAYLOR		
T-12 [redacted]	Documentation of "China Daily News", and RICHARD MORFORD		b6 b7C b7D
T-13 [redacted]	Info re AWP Exposi- tion and info re Canadian Women's Congress	11/19/52	SA HEINRICH VON ECKHARDT
	Documentation of HALOIS MOORHEAD and AGNES VUKCEVICH		
T-14 [redacted]	Bank statements and cancelled checks of CPUSA	10/31/52, SA(A) DALE H. 12/1/52, WILLIAMS and 1/2/53	
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T-16 [redacted]	CP need for funds	9/17/52	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	Security measures at CP meetings	9/2,17; 11/17; 12/12/52	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
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T-17 [redacted]	Info re "China Daily News"	12/22/52	SA ROLAND G. KEARNS
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T-18 [redacted]	Info re Council of Greek-Americans	12/1/52	SA CHRISTOPHER PAPPIANOU
	Documentation of "Greek-American Tribune"		b7D
T-19 [redacted]	Info re Ridgefield Home of IWO	11/6/52	SA DAMON W. PITCHER
T-20 [redacted]	Documentation of Congress of the Peoples for Peace		

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T-22 [redacted]	Sabotage at Mark Simpson Co., NYC	11/17/52	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
T-23 [redacted]	HARRY BRIDGES Reception	12/11/52	SA ELDRED W. CO
T-24 [redacted]	Oct. 1952 issue of "Vet's Voice"	10/20/52	SA EVERETT K. DEANE, SE HAROLD F. DOHERTY
	Letter issued by VALB, 11/10/52 11/6/52	11/10/52	SA JAMES E. GIBLER, SE KIERAN F. BUCKLEY
	Nov. 1952 issue of "Vet's Voice"	11/24/52	SA JAMES E. GIBLER, SE KIERAN F. BUCKLEY
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T-26	HARRY BRIDGES con- sidering East Coast move	12/30/52	SA ELDRED W. CO
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T-27	No evidence of BRIDGES' move	1/7/53	SA ELDRED W. CO
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T-28	Bank account of Self- Defense Committee of the 17 Victims of the Smith Act	10/31/52, 12/1/52, 1/2/53	SA(A) DALE H. WILLIAMS
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T-29	Former [redacted] Rent and mail at CP headquarters	12/10/52	SA RUSSELL S. GARNER

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T-31	Physician's reports WILLIAM Z. FOSTER	11/24/52	SA HAROLD V. CATES
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T-33	Salute to SIMON W. GERSON and ISIDORE BEGUN	10/10/52	SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON
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T-34 Confidential mail box of NYO	"few Challenge", Oct. 1952	9/26/52	SA JOHN T. MURPHY
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Documentation of NCDNL,
National Negro Labor
Council, and Greater
NY Negro Labor Council

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Documentation of
Progressive Party

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House Committee Photostatic copy of
on Un-American testimony of HARVEY
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Washington, D.C. before Subcommittee
of HCUA, Washington,
D.C., 11/27,28/51

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1953 membership
registration

12/19/52

SA RICHARD H.
BLASSER

Security measures re
CP records 11/16/52

SA RICHARD H.
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	Security measures re "Daily Worker" subscriptions	11/13/52	SA JOHN W. DOO:
T-42 [redacted]	Info re CP records	10/7/52	SA JAMES E. GIBLI
	Security measures against CP infiltration		b6 b7C b7D
T-44 [redacted]	CP use of mails	November 1952	SA JOSEPH E. GAUZENS
T-45 [redacted]	CP caution in use of telephone	10/14/52	SA ROBERT E. K
T-46 [redacted]	Miscellaneous info re CP underground	10/13/52	SA THORNTON M. WOOD
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T-49 [redacted]	CP underground meetings, control of open and under- ground organizations of CP, and info re HOWARD EUGENE JOHNSON, JR.		b7D
T-50 [redacted]	CP hideouts	10/17/52	SA THOMAS L. BECKWITH
T-51 [redacted]	Activities of CP underground leaders		
T-52 [redacted]	Study of French and Polish underground		
T-53 [redacted]	CP underground meetings	10/8/52	SA ALEXANDER C. BURLESON

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Info re UN organization

December 1952 SA JOHN J. KEAR

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Documentation of Methodist Federation for Social Action

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Documentation of AWP

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At New York, New York:

Will follow and report pertinent activities of the CPUSA for the quarterly period beginning 1/1/53 and ending 3/31

REFERENCE Report of SA RUSSELL S. GARNER at New York, 10/17/5

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

QUARTERLY PERIOD - OCTOBER 1
THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1952

Real control of CP reported to be in hands of relatively small group or committee of legal and illegal leadership. Retention of County headquarters by CP in NYC despite lack of activity seen as attempt to convey impression of legality to public. 1953 registration of membership taking place. New demands allegedly to be made on Party members. NY State CP urged all its sections to raise money for "Daily Worker's" \$50,000 fund drive. CP said to be "broke". CP continues to exercise caution in utilizing telephone and mails and in attending meetings. Danger and detection of "stool pigeons" within ranks emphasized. Charges and counter-charges of white chauvinism rife at Jefferson School of Social Science in NYC. Cease-fire in Korea demanded by NY State CP. NY Federal Grand Jury disclosed "startling evidence" of infiltration in UN of "overwhelming large group" of disloyal US citizens. Employment of number of such individuals already terminated. CP supported Progressive Party candidates in presidential election and ALP candidates in NY. ALP candidates badly beaten in 131 contests. SIMON W. GERSON and BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, respectively, running for Congress and for NY State Assembly, were overwhelmingly defeated. Hearing under way by NY State Board of Regents to determine whether CP should be considered "subversive" under provisions

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SYNOPSIS (Cont'd.):

of Feinberg Law; Intensified efforts to save ROSENBERGS being made by CP and its adjuncts; Amnesty appeals made for jailed Communists; NY Federal Grand Jury recommending that NLRB revoke certification of UERMWA, ACA, IFLWU and DPOWA; AVP backs Elbe River veterans' reunion in April, 1953; Election of Negro State Senator in NY hailed; Drive opened by GNYNLC for higher paid hotel jobs for Negroes; NY Youth Salute to Olympics in October, 1952 originated by Communist front youth group; Peace Exposition sponsored by various Communist front women's organizations, held in NYC; Cultural leaders ask new trial for ROSENBERGS and peace in Korea; Pro-Titoists attempting to gain control of Yugoslav-American Home in NYC from pro-Cominform element; Religious leaders urge termination of war in Korea; repeal of ISA of 1950; amnesty for imprisoned Communists and clemency for ROSENBERGS; Treatise by STALIN, report by MALENKOV and book by FOSTER becoming subjects for classes and study courses for CP members; Fund drive being conducted by JSSS to recoup loss of finances resulting from drop in enrollment.

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GLOSSARY OF ORGANIZATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

The following is a list of organizations and publications referred to in this report, together with a characterization of each. These documentations will not be repeated elsewhere in the report:

AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF THE FOREIGN-BORN (ACPFB) - Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

AMERICAN LABOR PARTY (ALP) - A political party in New York State which is Communist controlled and dominated, according to Confidential Informant T-3.

AMERICAN VETERANS FOR PEACE (AVP) - A Communist front veterans' organization, according to Confidential Informant T-10.

AMERICAN WOMEN FOR PEACE (AWP) - A Communist front women's organization, according to Confidential Informant T-53.

"CHINA DAILY NEWS" - A pro-Communist Chinese language daily newspaper published in New York City, according to Confidential Informant T-11.

CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS (CRC) - Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

CONGRESS OF THE PROPLES FOR PEACE - Convened in Vienna in December 1952 by the World Peace Council, described hereinafter.

COUNCIL ON AFRICAN AFFAIRS (CAA) - Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

COUNCIL OF GREEK-AMERICANS (CGA) - A Communist front organization of Greek-Americans, according to Confidential Informant T-19.

"DAILY WORKER" (DW) - An East Coast Communist daily newspaper.

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GREATER NEW YORK NEGRO LABOR COUNCIL (GNYNLC) -
New York Chapter of National Negro Labor Council,
described hereinafter.

"GREEK-AMERICAN TRIBUNE" - A pro-Communist
weekly newspaper printed in Greek and English
and published in New York City, according to
Confidential Informant T-19.

JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE (JSSS) -
Cited by the Attorney General as coming within
the purview of Executive Order 9835.

JEWISH PEOPLES FRATERNAL ORDER (JPFO) - A
national group society of the International
Workers Order, and cited by the Attorney
General as coming within the purview of
Executive Order 9835.

"MASSES AND MAINSTREAM" (M&M) - A Marxist
cultural monthly published by Communists,
according to Confidential Informant T-3.

METHODIST FEDERATION FOR SOCIAL ACTION (MFSA) -
Has closely followed the Communist Party line
for years, and while it is not an official
agency of the Methodist Church, the MFSA has
the active support of many bishops, pastors,
and leading church officials throughout the
United States, according to Confidential
Informant T-52.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO DEFEND NEGRO LEADERSHIP
(NCDNL) - A Communist front Negro organization,
according to Confidential Informant T-36.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO REPEAL THE MC CARRAN
ACT (NCRMA) - A Communist front organization
created for the purpose of securing repeal
of the Internal Security Act of 1950, commonly
called the McCarran Act, according to Confi-
dential Informant T-4.

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE (NCSJRC) - A Communist front organization formed to secure clemency for JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG, convicted atomic spies, according to Confidential Informant T-20.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS (NCASP) - Cited as a Communist front organization by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, Report Number 1954, dated April 19, 1949.

NATIONAL NEGRO LABOR COUNCIL (NNLC) - A Communist front Negro organization, according to Confidential Informant T-36.

"NEW CHALLENGE" - A monthly publication of the Labor Youth League, the latter cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

NEW YORK CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS (NYCRC) - New York chapter of the Civil Rights Congress, described hereinbefore.

NEW YORK COUNCIL OF THE ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS (NYCASP) - New York chapter of the National Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions, described hereinbefore.

NEW YORK YOUTH SALUTE TO THE OLYMPICS - According to Confidential Informant T-37, this affair was originated and directed by the New York Young Peoples Conference for Peace, another name for the New York Youth Peace Crusade, the latter actually being the youth section of the American Peace Crusade; both of which are Communist front organizations.

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"POLITICAL AFFAIRS" (PA) - Official monthly theoretical organ of the Communist Party, USA, according to testimony of ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, self-admitted member of the National Committee, Communist Party, USA, on October 20, 1952, in connection with the trial of "UNITED STATES v. ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN; ET AL".

PROGRESSIVE PARTY (PP) - According to Confidential Informant T-38, this organization has not been free to criticize the foreign policy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) since June 1950, and has always consistently followed the Soviet Union's foreign policy as opposed to that of the United States. The "Daily Worker" for November 3, 1952, page 5, column 1, stated that the Progressive Party is the American Labor Party in New York State.

TEACHERS UNION, LOCAL 555, UNITED PUBLIC WORKERS OF AMERICA (TU) - A Communist controlled and dominated school teachers' union in New York City, according to Confidential Informant T-3.

SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE FOREIGN-BORN IN THE FIGHT AGAINST DEPORTATION - A Communist front youth organization, according to Confidential Informant T-35.

UNITED COMMITTEE OF JEWISH SOCIETIES AND LANDSMANSHAFT FEDERATIONS (UCJSLF) - A coordinating committee composed of various national Jewish organizations and trade unions which follows the Communist Party line, according to Confidential Informant T-26.

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VETERANS OF THE ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE (VALB) -
Cited by the Attorney General as coming
within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

"THE WORKER" - Sunday edition of the "Daily
Worker", described hereinbefore.

WORLD PEACE COUNCIL - A Communist controlled
and dominated body which sponsored First
and Second World Peace Congresses in 1949
and 1950; the Congress of the Peoples for
Peace in 1952; and the Stockholm Peace
Appeal, according to Confidential
Informants T-20 and T-22.

YIDDISHER KULTUR FARBAND (YKF) - Cited
by the Attorney General as coming within
the purview of Executive Order 9835.

YOUNG VOTERS FOR HALLINAN AND BASS - A
Communist front youth group, according
to Confidential Informant T-35.

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DETAILS: This is a joint report covering pertinent activities of District #2, CP, USA during the quarterly period, October 1 to December 31, 1952, prepared by the following Special Agents:

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All Confidential Informants mentioned in this report are of known reliability, unless otherwise indicated.

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MEMBERSHIP

(Bureau file 100-3-68)
(New York file 100-80638)

This section was prepared by SA RUSSELL S. GARNER.

Membership of District No. 2

Current estimated membership of the Communist Party in District No. 2, which comprises New York State, is 12,000.

Current estimated membership in the New York Division is 11,502.

1953 Registration of Membership
Now Taking Place

Confidential Informant T-12 reported that in Queens County in New York City, the 1953 registration of Communist Party membership began the second week in December, 1952. Informant said that during this registration, the following information was solicited from each member:

1. Sex
2. Age
3. Time in Party
4. National origin
5. Occupation
6. Union Affiliation
7. Mass organizations

In recording this information, Informant explained that the registrar used a form with the above seven captions listed in a horizontal column. Vertically on the form was a column numbered one through 10, beginning at the bottom. Each member signed his or her last initial on the back of the numbered portion, together with the number each had been assigned to his or her club, e.g. B4. Clubs were referred to by number, not by name. On the front of the sheet was the number of the registrant

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and the above-listed items 1-7. No other information appeared on this particular sheet.

After each number (1-10) was properly executed, it was torn off separately from the other numbers. As a result of this procedure, the identity of the registrant was known only to the registrar.

Ages were recorded as follows:

Under 21, 21 to 25, 26 to 35, 36 to 45, 46 to 55,
over 55.

Length of time in the Party was noted in this manner:

1 to 2 years, 3 to 5 years, 6 to 10 years, 11 to 15 years, 16 to 20 years.

Occupation was listed under the following categories:

Heavy industry, light industry, white collar,
self-employed, unemployed.

During the registration, Informant said, a separate record was made of the number of members who belonged to various unions and it was indicated that members of the following unions would be transferred from community clubs to industrial clubs:

Amalgamated Clothing Workers
International Association of Machinists
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
Longshore
Teamsters
Building Trades
Maritime

A weekly record of the registration was to be turned in to the Regional Financial Director until the registration was complete, Informant reported.

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According to the Informant, quotas listed below were to be achieved on the following dates:

December 22, 1952	25%
December 29, 1952	40%
January 6, 1953	60%
January 13, 1953	75%
January 20, 1953	90%
January 27, 1953	95%
February 3, 1953	100%

Informant stated that a record of dues payments was maintained by each club organizer in the form of a list containing the initials of each member and the amount of dues each paid.

New Demands to be Made on Communist Party Membership

Confidential Informant T-7 stated that the Party is presently considering making more demands of the membership in the form of additional self-sacrifices, more activity and greater financial aid. Informant said that the Party will define the requirements of Party membership and it is believed that as a result of its efforts, many rank and file members will drop out of the Party, but that the Party welcomes the dropping out of these weak members.

According to the Informant, the tactical question that has arisen with the leadership as a result of this attitude is how to approach the membership with these new demands. Informant said the Party is considering the issuance of an article that would open up the whole question of what is expected of a Communist Party member by raising the question for discussion purposes. Informant said that it is proposed to first ideologically rearm the membership and secondly to follow through with organizational methods by giving the comrades added tasks to prove themselves, or making demands for more activity, or more funds. Informant said that if these demands are not carried out disciplinary measures will be taken.

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Confidential Informant T-2 reported that the 1953 registration is under way and that section organizers are advising branch organizers to register "only those they wish", that is, only those in whom they have confidence. According to Informant, only four questions are being asked:

1. How long have you been in the Communist Party?
2. What organization do you belong to (social, fraternal, union, etc.)?
3. Are your dues paid (a member will not be re-registered until his 1952 dues are completely paid)?
4. Do you read and contribute to the "Daily Worker" (this does not mean that a member must subscribe to this publication)?

Informant stated that the branch or group secretary writes the answers down, not using names, (since he has his own means of identifying the member) and sends a summary to the section. The section will report the figures to the state and the state, in turn, to the national leadership.

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MEMBERSHIP

{Bureau file 100-3-68)
(New York file 100-80638)

All Security Informants on Communist matters in the New York Division were queried concerning the membership total in District No. 2 at the present time, but none of these Informants could give any current figures.

Membership of District No. 2 was, therefore, estimated in the following manner:

Current estimated membership in the Albany Division is 244, and in the Buffalo Division, 254. Bulet dated December 18, 1952 reflected that the present estimated membership of the Communist Party in the United States, exclusive of District No. 2, is 13,032.

In a document containing membership figures which were apparently membership statistics for all Communist Party Districts in the United States, made available by Confidential Informant T-4 on March 30, 1951, it was found that the membership of District No. 2 was 47.75 of the total national membership, whereas membership of the districts outside District No. 2 was 52.525 of the total national membership. In the belief that this same approximate ratio of membership prevails currently as formerly, it was computed that there are approximately 12,000 members in District No. 2 at present.

Since, as indicated hereinbefore, there are 498 members in the Albany and Buffalo Divisions, these figures, subtracted from the estimated total of 12,000 New York State membership, give a current approximate total of 11,502 in the New York Division.

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T-2 [redacted]	Cover names in "Political Affairs" and "Daily Worker"; info re CP organiza- tion; CP studying proceedings of 19th Congress, CPSU; and 1953 membership registration	12/30/52	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
T-3 [redacted]	Info re CP organiza- tion; documentation of ALP, M&M, TU, and ROSE RUSSELL	10/13/52	SA RUSSELL S. GARNER
T-4 [redacted]	Document containing national CP membership figures	3/30/51	SA HERBERT P. LARSON, SE ALBERT E. FALLER
	Documentation of National Committee to Repeal the McCarran Act and ALBERT ROBBINS		b7D
T-5 [redacted]	Factionalism within CP	10/31/52	SA CARL M. FREYMAN

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T-6 [redacted]	Miscellaneous info re 10/13/52 CP underground Documentation of DAVID PLATT, HOWARD BOLDT, ALAN MAX, GEORGE MORRIS, and MILTON HOWARD	10/13/52	SA THORNTON M. WOOD
T-7 [redacted]	Peace efforts of NY State CP AWP Exposition Canadian Women's Congress	10/17/52 11/17/52 11/19/52	SA HEINRICH VON ECKHARDT SA HEINRICH VON ECKHARDT SA HEINRICH VON ECKHARDT

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T-7	Info re Yugoslav- American Home	12/24/52	SA HEINRICH FREYMAN
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T-8	List of suggested books and pamphlets	10/31/52	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	"Pamphleteer"	11/17/52, 12/31/52	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
T-9	CP detection of surveillances and documentation of PAULINE TAYLOR		b7D
T-10 Forman	Documentation of American Veterans for Peace and PAULINE TAYLOR		
T-11	LOUIS F. BUDENZ, Documentation of "China former Managing Daily News" and RICHARD Editor, "Daily MORFORD Worker", NYC. Anonymity requested		

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[redacted]	CP fund drives and security measures at CP meetings	9/2/17; 11/17; 12/12/52	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	Security measures and CP records	11/16/52	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	Discussion guide on "The Fight for Peace and Democracy", issued by NY State CP	12/8/52	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	1953 membership registration	12/19/52	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	"NY State Bulletin", issue of Jan. 1951	1/4/51	SE EDWARD W. BUCKLEY

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[redacted]	Bronx fund drive	9/18/52	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	CP overemphasis of security	8/3/52	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	Security measures re "Daily Worker" subscriptions	11/13/52	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY

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[redacted]	NY statements of Bens County CP	1/2/53	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
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T-16 [redacted]	Bank statements and cancelled checks of NY State CP	10/31/52, 12/1/52, and 1/2/53	SA(A) DALE H. WILLIAMS
Anonymity requested			
T-17 [redacted]	CP need for funds	12/5/52	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Info re SAMUEL JAFFE and SARA SCHERER, and description of CP headquarters	11/14/52	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
T-18 [redacted]	Info re "China Daily News"	12/22/52	SA ROLAND G. KEARNS
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T-19 [redacted]	Info re Council of Greek-Americans	12/1/52	SA CHRISTOPHER J. PAPPIANOU

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	CRC conference, 10/16/52	10/21/52	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	15th anniversary of YKF	11/17/52	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Report on Jewish Peoples Conference for Peace	1/6/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	CRC meeting, 11/12/52	11/18/52	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	HARRY BRIDGES Reception	12/11/52	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	WILLIAM L. PATTERSON and trade union move- ment	11/24/52	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
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T423 [redacted]	Sabotage at Mark Simpson Mfg. Co., NYC	11/17/52	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
T424 [redacted]	Reception for HARRY BRIDGES	12/11/52	SA ELDRED W. COX
T425 [redacted]	"Vet's Voice", October 1952	10/20/52	SA EVERETT K. DEANE, SE HAROLD F. DOHERTY
	"Vet's Voice", November 1952	11/24/52	SA JAMES E. GIBLER, SE KIERAN F. BUCKLEY
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[redacted] 1953 winter catalog 12/29/52 SA JAMES E. GIBLER

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NY-603-S* HARRY BRIDGES plans informal conference with labor leaders

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[redacted] HARRY BRIDGES con- sidering move on East Coast 12/30/52 SA ELDRED W. COX

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Former [redacted] Rent and mail at CP 12/10/52 SA RUSSELL S. GARNER
headquarters

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[redacted] Photostatic copy of letter, 10/20/52, to Secretary of State from NY State Communist Election Campaign Committee 11/3/52 Albany Office

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T-32 [redacted]	Info re Citizens Committee to Elect SIMON W. GERSON to Congress	11/14/52	SA JAMES E. GIBLER SE KIERAN F. BUCKLEY
	Security measures re CP records	10/7/52	SA JAMES E. GIBLER
T-33 [redacted]	Salute to SIMON W. GERSON and ISIDORE BEGUN	10/10/52	SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON
T-34 [redacted]	Committee to Defeat the Smith Act meeting, Baltimore	11/27/52	SA MARTIN J. JONES
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CP caution in use of 10/14/52 SA ROBERT E. KENT
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T-44 [redacted]	CP hideouts and use of couriers	10/10/52	SA JOSEPH M. FANNING
T-45 [redacted]	CP underground meetings and difficulties within CP underground		b7D
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Info re UN
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1952SA JOHN J.
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CP underground
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SA ALEXANDER C.,
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Documentation of
Methodist Federation
for Social Action

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Documentation of AWP

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Copies of this report have been designated for the Albany and Newark Offices for informational purposes, in view of their contiguity and related interests in the activities of District No. 2.

LEADNEW YORKAt New York, New York:

Will follow and report pertinent activities of District No. 2, CPUSA, for the quarterly report beginning 1/1/53 and ending 3/31/53.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, New York

January 28, 1953

FROM: SA RICHARD H. BLASSER (100-26603-C41)

SUBJECT: CP, USA
 District #2
 NY Division (Queens)
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Attached hereto is a copy of a report dated 12/30/52 received by the writer from [redacted] on 1/5/53.

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The informant in the report sets forth the initials of each dues paying member of the 4 CP clubs comprising the Maspeth CP Section. The informant has identified those known to him as follows and the amount of dues paid by each:

<u>Club</u>	<u>Initials</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount of dues paid</u>
#1	FD	FRANK DUFFY	\$2.00
	RK	ROMAN KARWOSKI	1.00
	BK	BERTHA KARWOSKI	.10
	SK	SOPHIE KLECKER	1.00
	AS	ANGELINA SANTARA	1.00

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1. [redacted]
 1-100-88084 (FRANK DUFFY)
 1-100-92692 (ROMAN KARWOSKI)
 1-100-94268 (BERTHA KARWOSKI)
 1-100-82388 (SOPHIE BLECKER)
 1-100-77986 (ANGELINA SANTORA)
 1-100-93861 (ELAINE PERESS)
 1-100-108771 (SID KATZ)
 1-100-95609 (IRVING PERESS)
 1-100-76480 (HERMAN STOLLEY)
 1-100-98144 (BOB ROSOV)
 1-100-70319 (MARGARET ROSOV)
 1-100-107176 (MARY NOSSAM)
 1-100-107255 (BOB NOSSAM)
 1-100- (V. COOPER)
 1-100-110940 (EVELYN COOPER)
 1-100-90653 (SALVATORE BARBARO)
 1-100-92366 (FANNY BARBARO)
 1-100-26603-C1445 (Maspeth CP Section)
 1-100-85800 (CP, USA Membership)
 1-100-100921 (RUTH MILLER)
 1-100-98940 (CHAS. MILLER)
 1-100-99799 (JOE MEDITZ)
 1-100-65076 (CATHERINE BLOHM)
 1-100-76611 (BEN SMITH)

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<u>Club</u>	<u>Initials</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount of dues paid</u>
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#2	ELAINE PERESS	- Organizer	
	SK	SID KATZ	\$2.00
	EP	ELAINE PERESS	.35
	IP	IRVING PERESS	2.00
	HS	HERMAN STOLLEY	1.00

<u>Club</u>	<u>Initials</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount of dues paid</u>
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#3	BR	BOB ROSOV	\$1.00
	MR	MARGARET ROSOV	.35
	BN	BOB NOSSAM	1.00
	MN	MARY NOSSAM	.35
	VC	V. COOPER	1.00
	EC	EVELYN COOPER	.35
	SB	SALVATORE BARBARO	1.00
	FB	FANNY BARBARO	.35

<u>Club</u>	<u>Initials</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount of dues paid</u>
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#4	RUTH MULLER	- Organizer	
	RM	RUTH MULLER	\$1.00
	CM	CHAS. MULLER	2.00
	JM	JOE MEDITZ	2.00
	CB	CATHERINE BLOHM	.35
	BS	BEN SMITH	1.00

According to the informant record of dues paid are kept in the above manner.

[redacted] The original report is maintained as serial# 53
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December 30, 1952

Club	Club Organizer	M.S.
#1	M.S.	\$2.00 1 at 2.00
	F.D.	1.00 3 at 1.00
	R.K.	.10 2 at .10
	B.K.	.10
	S.K.	1.00
	A.S.	1.00
#2	Club Organizer	ELAINE PERESS
	S.K.	2.00
	E.P.	.35
	I.P.	2.00 3 at \$2.00
	E.	.35 5 at 1.00
	H.	2.00 3 at .35
	S.S.	1.00
	S.	.35
	J.	1.00 or .10
	I.I.	1.00
	H.S.	1.00
	B.R.	1.00
#3	Club Organizer	BOB ROSOV
	B.R.	1.00 5 at 1.00
	M.R.	.35 5 at .35
	B.N.	1.00 1 at .10
	M.N.	.35
	V.C.	1.00
	E.C.	.35
	E.S.	1.00
	K.S.	.35
	P.S.	.10
	S.B.	1.00
	F.B.	.35

Club #4	Club organizer	RUTH MULLER
C.M.	2.00	2 at 2.00
R.M.	1.00	5 at 1.00
U.M.	2.00	3 at .35
B.G.	.35	1 at .10
C.P.	.35	
L.F.	.35	
C.F.	1.00	
T.	.10	
B.S.	1.00	
A.N.	1.00	
L.B.	1.00	

Total 39 members Maspeth CP. Section

The above is manner in which records of members in
each club and CP section are kept and amount of dues each
pay.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM: UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, New York

FEB 2 1953

FROM: SA RICHARD H. BLASSER (100-26603-C41)

SUBJECT: CP, USA

District #2

NY Division (Queens)

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[redacted] Attached hereto is a copy of a report dated 1/5/53 received from [redacted] on 1/7/53 by the writer.

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The report sets forth the initials of individuals who are members of the Maspeth CP Section, belong to various clubs in this Section, and are presently dues paying CP members. Addresses of these individuals known to the informant are also set forth.

The original report is maintained as serial # 63, [redacted]

[redacted]
1-NY 100-88084 (FRANK DUFFY) b7D
1-NY 100-92692 (ROMAN KARWOSKI)
1-NY 100-94268 (BERTHA KARWOSKI)
1-NY 100-82388 (SOPHIE KLECKER)
1-NY 100-77986 (ANGELINA SANTORA)
1-NY 100-93861 (ELAINE PERESS)
1-NY 100-108771 (SID KATZ)
1-NY 100-95609 (IRVING PERESS)
1-NY 100-76480 (HERMAN STOLLEY)
1-NY 100-98144 (BOB ROSOV)
1-NY 100-70319 (MARGARET ROSOV)
1-NY 100-107176 (MARY NOSSAM)
1-NY 100-107255 (BOB NOSSAM)
1-NY 100- (V. COOPER)
1-NY 100-110940 (EVELYN COOPER)
1-NY 100-90653 (SILVATORE (SAM) BARBARO)
1-NY 100-92366 (FANNY BARBARO)
1-NY 100-26603-C1445 (MASPETH CP SECTION)
1-NY 100-100921 (RUTH MULLER)
1-NY 100-98940 (CHAS. MULLER)
1-NY 100-99799 (JOE MEDITZ)
1-NY 100-65076 (KATHERINE BLOHM)
1-NY 100-76611 (BEN SMITH)
1-NY 100-85800 (CP, USA MEMBERSHIP)

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C. P. CLUBS MASPETH SECTION

Club #1. Maspeth - MARTIN SAUNSHI, Organizer

1. M. S. - MARTIN SAUNSHI
2. F. D. - FRANK DUFFY, 82-17 Ankener, Elmhurst
3. R. K. - ROMAN KARWOSKI, 69-13 53 Dr., Maspeth
4. B. K. - BERTHA KARWOSKI, 69-13 53 Dr., Maspeth
5. S. K. - SOPHIA KLECKER, Polish I. W. O. Office worker in NYC, home address unknown.
6. A. S. - ANGELINA SANTORA, 58-51, Fresh Pond Rd., Maspeth

Club #2 ELAINE PERESS and SID KATZ organizers

1. S. K. - SID KATZ, 78-18 68 Avenue, Middle Village
2. E. P. - ELAINE PERESS, 61-39 79 Street, Elmhurst
3. I. P. - IRVING PERESS, 61-39 79 Street, Elmhurst
(called to Army 1/1/53 as a commissioned officer (Dentist))
4. E. - ERMA - last name and address unknown
5. H. - HENRY, husband of ERMA
6. S. S - ? - name and address not known to me
7. S. - ? - name and address not known to me
8. V. - ? - name and address not known to me
9. I. I. - ? - name and address not known to me
10. H. S. - HERMAN STOLLEY, 89-11, 63 Dr. Rego Pk., Apt. 302
11. B. R. - ? - name and address not known to me

Club #3 BOB ROSOV, Organizer

1. B. R. - BOB ROSOV, 66-30, 64 Street, Ridgewood
2. M. R. - MARGARET ROSOV, 66-30, 64th Street, Ridgewood
3. B. N. - BOB NOSSAN, 66-30, 64 Street, Ridgewood
4. M. N. - MARY NOSSAN, 66-30, 64 Street, Ridgewood
5. V. C. - COOPER, 506 Fairview Avenue, Ridgewood
6. E. C. - EVELYN COOPER, 506 Fairview Avenue, Ridgewood
7. E. S. - ?
8. K. S. - ?
9. P. S. - ?
10. S. B. - SALVATORE, alias SAM BARBARO, 1724 Willoughby Ave, B'klyn
11. F. B. - FANNY BARBARO, 1724 Willoughby Avenue, B'klyn.

Club #4 RUTH MULLER, Organizer

1. R. M. - RUTH MULLER, 80-17 62 Street, Glendale
2. C. M. - CHARLES MULLER, 80-17 62 Street, Glendale
3. J. M. - JOE MEDITZ, 70-17 69 Place, Glendale
4. B. G. - BERTHA - last name and address unknown
5. C. B. - CATHERINE BLOHM, 18-82 Cornelia St., Ridgewood
6. L. F. - ?
7. L. F. - ?

8. C. F. - ?
9. T. - ?
10. B. S. - BEN SMITH, address unknown
11. H. N. - ?
12. L. B. - ?

Director, FBI (100-3-68)

2/6/53

SAC, New York (100-80638)

CP, USA - MEMBERSHIP
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For the Bureau's information, on 1/27/53 [redacted] orally informed SA JOSEPH E. GAUZENS, JR. that he had recently learned from MERCEDES RROYO, a member of the New York State Committee of the Communist Party, that as a result of arrests by the FBI of top CP leaders, the Party is dormant.

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RROYO told informant that at the most the Party now has no more than 20,000 members in the US in contrast to the 80,000 members in the Party during EARL BROWDER's regime.

The original of this information is in NY 100-50983.

RSG:BA

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COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBERSHIP

As of December 31, 1952

The following figures are set out according to states and territories, field divisions and Communist Party districts:

MEMBERSHIP IN STATES & TERRITORIES

Alabama	72	Mass.	500	S. Carolina	6
Arizona	105	Michigan	407	S. Dakota	27
Arkansas	24	Minnesota	361	Tennessee	24
California	3,615	Mississippi	3	Texas	168
Colorado	324	Missouri	210	Utah	73
Connecticut	400	Montana	31	Vermont	30
Delaware	2	Nebraska	25	Virginia	40
District of Columbia	150	Nevada	14	Washington	225
Florida	135	N. Hampshire	22	E. Virginia	110
Georgia	20	New Jersey	1,070	Wisconsin	340
Idaho	25	New Mexico	32	Wyoming	0
Illinois	1,481	New York	12,000	Territories	
Indiana	250	N. Carolina	62	Alaska	7
Iowa	25	N. Dakota	24	Hawaii	14
Kansas	21	Ohio	1,224	Puerto Rico	67
Kentucky	50	Oklahoma	63	Total	25,497
Louisiana	40	Oregon	100		
Maine	20	Penna.	1,208		
Maryland	200	Rhode Island	31		

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MEMBERSHIP IN FIELD DIVISIONS

Albany	264	Houston	93	Omaha	
Albuquerque	32	Indianapolis	250	Philadelphia	
Anchorage	7	Kansas City	56	Phoenix	
Atlanta	16	Knoxville	9	Pittsburgh	
Baltimore	202	Little Rock	24	Portland	
Birmingham	50	Los Angeles	2,446	Richmond	
Boston	573	Louisville	50	St. Louis	
Buffalo	254	Memphis	16	Salt Lake City	
Butte	66	Miami	135	San Antonio	
Charlotte	64	Milwaukee	340	San Diego	
Chicago	1,373	Minneapolis	412	San Francisco	
Cincinnati	129	Mobile	22	San Juan	
Cleveland	1,095	Newark	1,070	Savannah	
Dallas	38	New Haven	400	Seattle	
Denver	324	New Orleans	42	Springfield	
Detroit	407	New York	11,502	WFO	
El Paso	4	Norfolk	20	Total	25,497
Honolulu, T.H.	14	Oklahoma City	83		

DISTRICTS

	<u>Total</u>	<u>States included in Districts</u>
District 1	593	Maine 20 N. Hampshire 22 Massachusetts 500 Vermont 20 Rhode Island 31
District 2	12,000	New York 12,000
District 3	870	Penn. 868 Delaware 2
District 4	350	Maryland 200 Dist. of Col. 150
District 5	340	West Pa. 340
District 6	1,204	Ohio 1,224 Ky. 50 Four panhandle counties in W. Va. 10
District 7	407	Michigan 407
District 8	1,581	Illinois 1,491 Indiana 100 (Lake Co.)
District 9	412	Iowa 361 N. Dakota 24 S. Dakota 27
District 10	150	Indiana 150
District 11	100	Oregon 100
District 12	232	Washington 225 Alaska 7
District 13	3,748	California 3,615 Arizona 105 Nevada 14 Hawaii 14

It is noted that some states are covered by more than one CP district; therefore, a total compilation for the individual states is also being included in this memorandum.

DISTRICTS (cont.)

District 14	1,070	N. Jersey	1,070
District 15	400	Connecticut	400
District 16	340	Wisconsin	340
District 19	360	Colorado	324
		N. Mexico	32
		Wyoming	0
		El Paso Area of Texas	4
District 21	210	Missouri	210
District 22	130	West Va.	100
District 23	164	Texas except El Paso area	164
District 24	40	Louisiana	40
District 25	135	Florida	135
District 26	40	Virginia	40
District 27	99	Alabama	72
		Mississippi	3
		Tennessee	24
District 28	107	Oklahoma	83
		Arkansas	24
District 29	68	N. Carolina	62
		S. Carolina	6
District 30	66	Montana	31
		Idaho	35
District 31	20	Georgia	20
District 32	71	Nebraska	25
		Iowa	25
		Kansas	21
District 35	73	Utah	73

TERITORIES

Alaska	7	7
Hawaii	14	14
Puerto Rico	67	67

Total 25,497

Total 25,497

This figure is also computed in District 12.
This figure is also computed in District 13.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: February 10, 1953

FROM : Director, FBI (100-3-68)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA - MEMBERSHIP
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

There is attached hereto for your information the best estimate of the Communist Party membership as furnished by all field divisions. It is noted that the current figure of 25,497 reflects an increase of 823 from the September 30, 1952, figure of 24,796. The figures are set out according to states and territories, field divisions and Communist Party districts.

Attachment

MR. BOARDMAN
MR. WHELAN
MR. McCABE
MR. MAGLENNAN
MR. MCGRATH
MR. MCGOWAN
MR. MCNAUL
MR. MCNEIL
MR. MCNICHOLS
MR. MCANDREWS
MR. NIGHT SUPERVISOR
MR. REGAN
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DIRECTOR, FBI

SAC, NEW YORK

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, ORGANIZATION TO RAISE A DAIRY

FEBRUARY TWELVE INSTANT [REDACTED]

ON

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KNOWN RELIABILITY, ADVISED THAT ON OCCASION OF RECENT CONTACT WITH A CP SECTION LEADER, LATTER FURNISHED HIM A QUESTIONNAIRE TO BE FILLED OUT RELATIVE TO INFORMANT'S CP CLUB. QUESTIONNAIRE IN PART CONTAINED FOLLOWING TO BE ANSWERED:

QUOTE - NAME OR NUMBER OF CLUB; DIVISION; HOW MANY MEMBERS SHOULD CLUB HAVE; HOW OFTEN DOES CLUB MEET; HOW MANY MEMBERS OF CLUB ATTEND ALMOST REGULARLY; ARE CLUB MEMBERS VISITED OUTSIDE OF CLUB MEETINGS; BY WHOM; HOW ARE CLUB MEMBERS NOTIFIED ABOUT CLUB MEETINGS; LIST MAIN ASSIGNMENT OF EACH CLUB MEMBER; DOES CLUB HAVE EDUCATIONAL DISCUSSION AT EACH MEETING; HOW LONG DO MEETINGS LAST; HOW MANY CLUB MEMBERS READ DAILY WORKER REGULARLY; HOW DO CLUB MEMBERS GET LITERATURE; DOES CLUB HAVE ANY MIMEOGRAPH FACILITIES; HOW LONG HAS

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CLUB ORGANIZER BEEN IN PARTY; IS SPOUSE IN PARTY; HOSTILE,
UNQUOTE.

MALONE.

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FBI, New York

February 17, 1953

CA JOHN R. DOOLEY (100-26603-C1755)

CP - USA
District #2
New York Division
IS-C
(Boulevard Section)

Attached hereto is a copy of a report of [redacted] of known reliability, dated 1/21/53. The original report was furnished to ST. JOHN P. DOOLEY on 1/21/53. In this report informant gave an account of a Boulevard Section Committee meeting on 1/6/53 at which the draft resolution (which appeared in the "Worker" 12/28/52) and the 1953 Communist Party Registration were discussed.

The original report is filed as serial 56 of [redacted]

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- [redacted]
1-NY 100-96049 (LIL MAURER)
1-NY 100-68376 (ESTHER MOSKES)
1-NY 100-105675 (LOTTIE BOSEN)
1-NY 100-112374 (WILHELM RIPKIN)
1-NY 100-105990 (CHARLOTTE IMMERMANN)
1-NY 100-107462 (OTIS SORELLA)
1-NY 100-109045 (HILLIS SORELLA)
1-NY 100-107111 (ROSENBERG COMMITTEE)
1-NY 65-15348 (JULIUS AND ETHEL ROSENBERG)
① 1-NY 100-80638 (CP - MEMBERSHIP)
1-NY 100-79717 (CP - POLITICAL ACTIVITIES)
1-NY 100-13453 (KATE GOREVIT)

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R.S. [Signature] J.P.S. [Signature]

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Date of report, January 6, 1953.

[redacted]
[redacted] b7D
[redacted] a Section Committee meeting at
house, [redacted] were present.
[redacted]

This meeting was to be one in which we were to discuss the Communist Party Draft resolution which appeared in the Sunday December 28 edition of the "Sunday Worker".

[redacted] gave her report and it was on the resolution and urged us all to read and re-read it because many issues raised here, have been advocated in the years gone by, but we have not followed through with these suggestions, so we find ourselves in a rut year in and year out.

[redacted] that we must go back to the old system which in years gone by for instance the Jan. 1952 P. A. a specific instance where every Party member is assigned to his or her industrial Section if they work in vital industries such as Transport, Longshore, etc. b7D

[redacted] gave a short talk on draft resolution and specified that it is urgent that in order to get a clearer understanding we must read and re-read it very carefully and to discuss it at our club meetings.

[redacted] she had been to Washington over the weekend of January 3rd on the [redacted] was very tired and wanted to submit a few remarks before leaving.

[redacted] that she is asking the Section staff to release [redacted] for about five weeks because she is going to school. We must appoint someone to take over her duties as organizer while she is away, the Section or rather the Regional staff has discussed this problem and a few names were submitted, [redacted] is slated for another assignment later on and that leaves us with [redacted] she is not here at present so when she does come she will be told about it and then [redacted] can pass the answer over during the week. b7D

[redacted] came in and [redacted] explained the situation to her and [redacted] said that she has to decline because starting Sunday she is going to work full time and with her other obligations it would be barely impossible to take on this task.

[redacted] was very disappointed and said that maybe we could work something out after she left.

[redacted] resumed the meeting and discussed the [redacted]
case an interracial couple who live at [redacted] and are fighting
eviction, on the grounds that they obtained the apartment under false pretenses.

We in the Boulevard section are responsible for this problem and we
must lead in this struggle. Therefore, we must go to the [redacted] apartment and
get post cards and petitions from [redacted] and she will tell us where to go for
signatures.

We must go to the neighboring houses and get signatures against the
landlord, the L.I.B. Corporation, a [redacted] so that when the case comes to
court on Thursday at 11:00 Williamsbridge Rd., we can show that he is discriminating b7D
against a Negro and white couple, for no other reason but for their color.

[redacted] then outlined the [redacted] case briefly and said that as the
hour draws nearer to their death we must not give up the fight, but rather to go
all out to save their life.

In connection with this there is planned a mass demonstration in the
Times Square district on Broadway between 44th St., and 45th St. on the east
side of the street at the Hotel Astor, on Sat. night January 10 at 8:15 p.m.
sharp and lasting until 8:45 p.m.

We must not fail to appear, we must urge as many people as we can to
be there in order to save the lives of the [redacted]

In line with this demonstration, and to bring before the people the true
facts, there is going to be a special edition of the "Sunday Worker" on the
[redacted] case.

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This section is taxed with about three hundred papers and every club
leader is to take a quantity and either sell or distribute them in this Jewish
area or any other point of concentration.

Registration is of the utmost importance for the year 1953 and each
group leader is going to get a mimeographed copy of all the information required
and we are to go out and register each and every member of our group.

At this time [redacted] gave out the registration blanks and each one had
a number in the right hand corner. The following information was required
age, sex, National Grouping, length of time, (in Party), Occupation, Present
Union affiliation, actual name and local #, date, w.r., whether a member of the
L.F.L. (leaders of the Youth), and last under a #) whether ever visited by police
or FBI.

[redacted] people [redacted] to tear off each one and submit it to [redacted] who is going to handle registration, the numbers started with #1 at the bottom and went to #10 at the top.

These four important items, [redacted] registration and last the case of the Negro couple in Parkchester who are going to be evicted if we do not go to their assistance.

In this case we can go to the A. L. P. headquarters on Westchester Avenue near Castle Hill Avenue and work from there to collect signatures.

[redacted] tomorrow night about ten-thirty at her [redacted] house to discuss the taking over the leadership of the section while she is away. She was going to be there also, and if any changes are made [redacted] phone tomorrow night.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

FROM : SA JOHN W. DOOLY (100-30638)

SUBJECT: CP, USA MEMBERSHIP
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DATE: 2/18/53

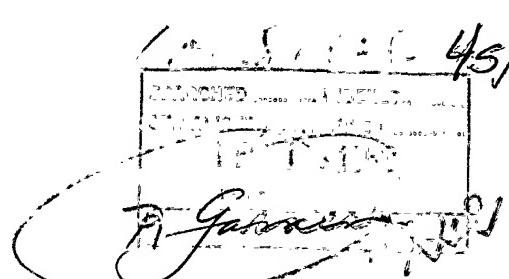
Attached hereto is a copy of a report of [redacted] of known reliability, dated 1/18/53. The original report was furnished to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY on 1/21/53. On this report informant described the 1953 CP registration form.

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The original report is filed as serial [redacted] of [redacted]

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1 - [redacted]
1 - NY 100-20603 (CP - N.Y. STATE)
1 - NY 100-13453 (KATE OFSEVIT)



C O P Y

Date of Report, January 18, 1953

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T.C.P.

Following is a description of mimeograph copy of a 1953 registration.

The measurements are as follows, 7 3/4" wide and 11" long. It has a number in the upper and lower left hand corner of the paper (same number). On the left hand side there are numbers from 1 to 10 starting on the bottom with 1 and going to the top with 10. These numbers are in box #1; box #2, is age; box #3, sex; box #4 is National Grouping; #5, length of time; #6, occupation, #7, Present Union Affiliation and actual name and Local #; #8, Mass. Org.; #9, whether a member of L.Y.L. and last under #7 whether ever visited by Police or F.B.I.

[redacted] get all information and especially
Union and kind of work because [redacted] to reorganize back to the days of 1951.
where every member of an important union and industry is placed just where he
belongs.

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[redacted] start at the bottom and register a person in Box #1 and after
[redacted] all the necessary information, [redacted] tear off on the line and turn it
in to [redacted] who is handling registration.

[redacted] up until all people have been registered and after each
one to tear off and turn it in to [redacted]

SAC, NY

ALBERT B. GRANT, SA (100-26603-044)

CP, USA (Tri County Section)
IS - C

A report of Confidential Informant [redacted] dated 1-11-53
was received by the writer 1-19-53. The report concerns the
registration of CP members in Yonkers, New York by [redacted]
organizer.

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Copies of the report are attached. The original may be found in file as serial 70.

1 - 100-73665 (SYLVIA LISH)
1 - 100-75639 (DOROTHY LOMBARD)
1 - 100-80638 (CPUSA Membership)
1 - 100-99824 (ARNOLD CHINGER)
1 - 100-104136 (LOUIS MARTIN)
1 - 100-104370 (DOROTHY MARTIN)
1 - 100- (JOHN CANUSO)
1 - 100- (HAROLD SILVERMAN)

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C O P Y

Sunday, January 11, 1953
Report on Aspects of the Present Communist Party [redacted]

In my previous reports, I stated that Communist Party registration took place every three months. [redacted] on this and said that this registration occurs only once a year and that it takes a period of three months to be completed.

[redacted] a Communist Party member by the [redacted] The registration took place in [redacted] car which she parked on Bedford Street one block east of Broadway. [redacted] collected one dollar monthly dues [redacted] strange considering the fact that [redacted] for three months and that this is the first time that monthly dues were asked [redacted]

[redacted] she stated that [redacted] member of the Communist Party since [redacted] said that it has been since [redacted] therefore made a note on the registration sheet that [redacted] the Communist Party as of [redacted] In the process of registration she [redacted] b7D She listed on her registration sheet the facts that [redacted] the Yonkers Republican Club, the 4th Ward Republican Club and the Palenese Social and Civic Club. Her next and final registration question was as follows; [redacted] the Federal Bureau of Investigation (F.B.I.)?" [redacted] and she made a note of this fact.

[redacted] stops at the homes of [redacted] At each stop [redacted] This indicates [redacted] registered these people as Communists. The reason I say this is because she [redacted] [redacted] is engaged in conspiratorial work and that he takes orders from her and will do whatever she says. In [redacted]

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Her visit to [redacted] and

LOU MARTIN today.

NOTE: DOROTHY LOMBARDI stated that she has been paying sixty dollars a month for Communist Party Headquarters at 9 Riverdale Avenue. She stated that she was maintaining this location on Communist Party orders. She feels that she will now have to give this place up.

SAC, NEW YORK

JGTS - J. GOLY, SA (100-26603-61750)

MAR 4 1953

CP, NEW YORK - DISTRICT #2
NEW YORK DIVISION
I.C. - C
(WILLIAM F. DAWSON)

Attached hereto is a copy of a report of [redacted] of known reliability, dated 2/15/53. The original report was furnished to SA JOHN J. GOLY on 2/17/53. In this report, informant described a [redacted] who returned recently from a long automobile trip.

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The information contained in this report should not be disseminated outside the Bureau unless it is sufficiently paraphrased to protect informant.

The original report is filed as serial 68 of [redacted]

- 1 [redacted]
1-100-97792 (L.J.C. LEAVINSON)
1-100-72649 (R.E. CH. WHEY)
1-100-80640 (CP - RECORD)
1-100-84249 (CP - P. MANTS)
1-100-67838 (J.P.L. T. T. STYLIN)
1-100-80638 (CP - R. S. H. HIP)

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C O P Y

Date of report Feb. 15, 1953

On Thursday night Feb. 12, I phoned LEO INVISON, who had just returned from a tour of the U. S. to California and back, and asked if I could see him for a short talk. He told me it would be o.k.

I then called ROSE CEARLEY and asked her if she would be home tonight because I wanted to speak to her about something very important, she said that I could come and visit her.

I called JOHN PINEAU also, but she was not at home.

I visited LEC and we sat and talked about his trip, he enjoyed himself very much, he covered about 60,000 miles, HAY, his wife drove a great part of this mileage. The children age 4, and the other less than a year were in perfect health all during the trip, they praised the climate warm as in the daytime and cool at night.

They asked how the Section and Club was progressing and they also felt very bad about the Rosenberg Case.

I gave them a brief resumé of what happened while they were away, now we were in the midst of a sub drive, and we have certain quotas to fulfill, very recently we had an inter-racial couple who lived at 2005 Vyga Ave corner of 178 St and the landlord wanted to evict them, claiming they obtained the apt. under false pretenses because they claimed that the previous tenant was a relation of theirs. On these grounds the landlord wanted to evict them, the club Boulevard and the Italian Unity Club located at 183 St. and Arthur Ave., were the ones who obtained petitions in the neighboring houses in support of this couple.

They also supported the case in court and after two or three appearances in court the judge claimed that the couple were within their rights and they were allowed to remain in their apartment.

The other case involving discrimination was in Parkchester where a Negro couple faces eviction, and the Section with the County as a whole are fighting to keep this couple in their present apartment.

This case is not receiving the support is should, but up to now the case has been postponed until a later date and in this we are preparing further action.

[redacted]
annual registration drive and while I mention this I asked him if he re-registered, he said no, so [redacted]

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[redacted] the registration of [redacted]
age [redacted] no
Union affiliation, Mass Org. ... L. P. never visited by F.B.I.
His dues were \$12.00 for 6 mo.

He talked about personal matters, my family, sickness etc. and then I gave him a few (six) sub renewals and he promised to go out on them as soon as possible.

I asked if it was possible to get him and [redacted] to hold a meeting on Thursday of next week Feb. 19,. If I could arrange it [redacted] it would be alright with him.

He had renewed his sub with [redacted] last week when he returned from his trip.

I then visited [redacted] she was watching television b7D when I came in, her husband was also home, I told her that there were a few things I wanted to talk up with her. first if she wants [redacted] I then asked her if she would see [redacted] because I was to see her a few times but she was not at home, it concerns a [redacted] who is to be registered and [redacted] is the only one who knows his whereabouts.

I asked her if she registered her 5 people, and if so if she turned them in, she registered all but one and he does not want to reregister.

I asked her if she would see [redacted], if so see if she would hold a club meeting soon, [redacted] said that they are going to meet next week.

I told her I would get in touch with her soon and see how she made out with her concreteants.

Concerning registration she said that is is a shame that [redacted] time on people who do not want to register or on those whom we have to run after, it is better to have a small well organized Party rather than a large disorganized Party whom we have to chase for every little thing. I agreed with her but at present we have no alternative but to keep our Party together even if it is weak.

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I left and headed for [redacted] house to [redacted] but when I got there she was not at home.

I then decided to go to LORET, NOVAK and CHARLIE [REDACTED] b7D
JANESVILLE's house and [REDACTED]
late as yet I still [REDACTED]

SAC, NY

3/5/53

SA JOHN W. GOODMAN (100-26603-01755)

CP-LIA-District #2
New York Division
IC-2
Boulevard Section

Attached hereto is a copy of a report of [redacted] of known reliability, dated 2/1/53. The original report was furnished to SA JOHN W. GOODMAN on 2/17/53. In this report informant described a meeting of the Boulevard Section on [redacted] at which [redacted] whom informant later identified as [redacted] discussed CP registration and other matters.

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The information contained in this report should not be disseminated outside the Bureau unless it is sufficiently paraphrased to protect informant.

The original report is filed as serial 76 of [redacted]

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- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - NY 100-96049 (EDWARD HANNAH)
- 1 - NY 100-112374 (KELVIN RINKINS)
- 1 - NY 100-106843 (PAUL LIPINSKI)
- 1 - NY 100-34465 (JOHN LAVIN)
- 1 - NY 100-106875 (LESTER RUMBAUGH)
- 1 - NY 100-80638 (OTTO MAYER)
- 1 - NY 100-61336 (CP SECURITY)
- 1 - NY 100-105990 (WILLIAM J. PINTO)

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The Tremont Section, now changed to the Boulevard
Section was to hold an section meeting at [redacted] house on [redacted]

[redacted] It was changed to [redacted]
[redacted] house. I asked her if she was coming, she said no
because the children were not sleeping yet so I went to [redacted]
house alone at [redacted] house she was alone. I asked her if
anyone else was going to be here, she said [redacted]
might come over. On second thought it would be a good idea
if we held the meeting at [redacted] house because he may not
come. So [redacted] called [redacted] and told her that if anyone came
to tell them to wait there for her.

[redacted] that a fellow from the county was
going to speak press and the sub drive and registration
so it would be better to hold the meeting at [redacted] house
so he can gain the merit of the meeting.

[redacted] he left for [redacted] house on [redacted] across the
street from [redacted] went to [redacted] house and I went up to
[redacted]

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Later [redacted] came up and then a few minutes later
this fellow [redacted] from the county came up.

He introduced himself and said his name was [redacted]
and then after I shook hands with him he said that he heard
all about me.

We did not waste much time and [redacted] asked him to
give his report first.

[redacted] On registration, the most important at this time
this section is very bad. There is no report in the county
as yet. We have about 55 members in the Section and not one
name is turned in yet. He wanted to know how [redacted] not
turning in these registrations.

[redacted] told him that he had about five people regis-
tered. [redacted] said she had a few and at our last meeting those
leaders present pledged to do all in their power to register
their own people.

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[redacted] wrote down those people who registered and then
asked us to make commitments for next Sunday morning and to
[redacted] registration slips to [redacted]

After telling us how important it was [redacted]
[redacted] as quickly as possible in order to go on
with our next big job, the sub drive. In regard to this

sub drive he has heard that [] is a good sub getter and if it is possible for [] to get fifteen subs by this coming sub opening on Sat. No. 7 at the Carver Book shop on Boston Rd.

I told him that I would try and get ten by then.

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[] if I usually attend these public meetings sponsored by the Party. I told him that I do. He then asked me if I work []. I said yes. He asked if I had to take an oath for the job. I said yes. So then he said it would be better if I did not attend this meeting you can never tell there might be spies there and that I may be singled out.

I told him if it was a matter of security I would not attend.

[] left some sub renewal blanks and [] cut a batch [] for the start of the drive.

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[] on my job affiliation, where how long, how large a working force, what position in the [] what Section, if I knew of any Party members in the shop and if I objected to being transferred to the industrial.

I gave him my own personal reasons for not changing over sooner than this, and it is much more convenient in this neighbor [], but he said that since he draft resolution a few months back, every worker who is in an important industry will be transferred to his or her industrial Branch in the Party and work from within.

I asked, if after working in a place so long and the party decides to place people in their proper places in such industrial branches, if we can work so openly. The question arises if such a person is not a known C.P. member how can he function properly.

[] said that the Party is even changing its tactics. we are not going to expose our members if they are not known, But they will formulate policy on the job, by fighting for the wants and needs of the men, by working in the Union especially in Brooklyn where the left element is again gaining control, as witness the Tokey fight at the recent convention.

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[] to read and reread the Draft resolution of a few months back in the Sunday Worker or to read the Dec. 1 1952 P.A. from which this draft resolution was taken from.

Concerning this matter of transferring over to the Industrial, we will let the matter drop until [] returns

from her School Course, then we can get together and decide the next move.

We then discussed the possibility of sending other people to school. [] definitely could not make it because [] is at present attending one. [] also finds it impossible because her husband does odd television repairs at night and she cannot leave the small children. It was decided to canvass a few others for this school course.

[] made an [] to be at [] house this [] to discuss the whole membership the club leaders in regards to registration and how to conclude quickly, so we can devote our time to the Press and sub drive.

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I told her I would be there about 5 P.M. he would also discuss with [] my position in the Industrial branch.

After he left, [] resumed our discussion on who we were to see and to see them as soon as possible. We finally agreed to be at [] house this Sunday morning [] and turn in all [] and by Monday night we will be almost complete.

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SAC, New York

SA JAMES L. MCKEE (100-26603-3329)

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Attached hereto is a copy of a report of [redacted] of known reliability, date 1/31/53. The original report was furnished to SA JAMES L. MCKEE on 2/4/53. In this report [redacted] gave an account of a meeting of the [redacted] Co., on [redacted] at which the 1953 registration and other matters were discussed. Informant believes [redacted] last name is [redacted]

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The original report is filed as serial # of [redacted]

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1 - [redacted]	
1 - 100-72693	(MAY SLADEK)
1 - 100-8345	(AG, RMT (COMM-FBI))
1 - 100-	(LAWSON (FBI) - mail)
1 - 100-1136	(JULIA CO. ANGELA)
1 - 100-106636	(M. DA. S.)
1 - 97-169	(LAW.)
(1) - 100-80638	(CP, MHC (FBI))
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1 - 100-80639	(CP - JAH (FBI))

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A meeting of the [redacted] (Bronx, N.Y.) of
the Communist Party was held in [redacted] at the
apart. of [redacted] Bronx, N.Y.

at the meeting were present: [redacted]

The chairman of the meeting was [redacted]

The first order of the business was the 1933 registration
of the members. // after this was over [redacted] made a report on the
importance of the party (Communist) press.

She said that [redacted] and all the important
leaders of the Old Socialist Parties and of the Communist parties
always stressed the importance of the press "to the movement."
She spoke about "Iskra" (an underground publication of the
Bolsheviks after the split of the Russian Social Democratic
Party in which LENIN, TROTSKY and other Bolshevik leaders
participated) which "played an important part in the organization
of the Russian working class and helped prepare the way which
lead to the Socialist revolution."

She also spoke about the Bolshevik newspaper "Pravda"
(the Truth) which "led the struggle against the Tsarist regime
in Russia. This struggle, as we know, ended with the overthrow
of the Tsar and the establishment of the Soviet Union and
Socialism". She stated that it wasn't an easy task to publish
Socialist newspapers in the Russia of the Tsars: "Pravda", was
suppressed 9 times by the Tsar's police and every time pravda
appeared under a new name and kept on propagandizing and
preparing the Russian people for the great Socialist revolution...".

"The Daily Worker", she said, "is our Yiddish and our
Pravda" and she called upon the members of the Finsbridge Club
of the C.P. to help build The Worker and the Daily Worker.

[redacted] told the meeting that although "we are not yet facing a situation forcing us to change the name of our press as Pravda had to do in Russia or publish an underground paper as Iskra was, but we also have trouble; The Daily Worker is losing circulation. We must not only put a stop to this dangerous situation but must put up a strong fight to increase the circulation of The Worker and the Daily Worker.

She spoke about "the reactionary movement and the government which would be highly pleased to see the Daily Worker go down" and she underlined that if this would happen "it would be a terrible blow to the entire progressive movement in the country; to the cause of unity among the negro and white people; to the struggle for peace and socialism. It is up to us to see that our Daily should continue to lead us in our struggle for a free and Socialist world."

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[redacted] said that "our responsibility to our press is not greater than ever before..." She said that the Kingsbridge Section of the C.P. "lost" for the last ten years over 50 members; "some fell out, some moved out of the section, we had over 125 members in the Kingsbridge Section and now we have about 75 members of which quite a few are inactive. It means that we, the remaining workers must put in more energy in our work of building the Daily Worker."

She gave a quota for the Kingsbridge Club: 75 subs of the Worker (new ones and renewals) and a "bundle" of 200 Daily Workers a week for which the club will be responsible. The club accepted the quota and [redacted] (he wasn't present at this meeting) was appointed as the Daily Worker director of the Kingsbridge Club. It was decided to do door-to-door canvassing with the Worker every week-end until the end of the circulation drive which is to last two months - February and March.

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[redacted] Section of the C.P.) also said that the Party again decided to reorganize the clubs. She said that during the election campaign the clubs of the C.P. worked on the A.L.P. and that because of the concentration the clubs became too large. She said that "for security reasons and for better attendance of meetings and for more efficiency on the work the clubs will have a maximum of 5 members.

She also said that it is "desirable" that "each member should join a right wing mass organization. Our work must be done with the masses of the people and in these organizations we will find the material to work with".

[redacted] agreed with [redacted] that "it is politically correct" and that "Communists should concentrate their main activities within the right wing mass organizations. It was decided that within the next few weeks the members will pick out some mass organization which they will join. Organizations mentioned were: American Youth Congress, P.T.A., etc., [redacted] said that they will try to get a list of right wing organizations on the Section for reference.

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AIR-TEL

New York, New York 3/18/53

BUREAU

CPUSA, MEMBERSHIP; IS-C. DAYLET. [REDACTED] HAS ADVISED THAT HE HAS LEARNED FROM ALICE CITRON, PROMINENT CP MEMBER, THAT THE CP REALIZES IT IS PRESENTLY STAGNANT, AND ATTRIBUTED THIS CONDITION TO THE FACT THAT "NO ONE TRUSTS ANYONE ELSE". THE CP FEELS THAT IT IS INFESTED WITH "STOOL PIGEONS", AND CONSEQUENTLY "IS AFRAID TO DO ANYTHING". INFORMANT ALSO ADVISED HE LEARNED THE CP RECENTLY ISSUED INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE MEMBERSHIP TO BECOME ACTIVE IN TRADE UNIONS, AND OTHER MASS ORGANIZATIONS, HOPING THIS ACTIVITY WILL ROUSE THE MEMBERSHIP, GENERALLY, FROM ITS PRESENT CONDITION OF LETHARGIC INDIFFERENCE.

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EXCERPT FROM
SAC LT. # 53-20

(P) COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, - RECRUITING PROGRAM; DEVELOPMENT OF SECURITY INFORMANTS AND OBTAINING MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION -- During the last several months there have been indications in several different localities of a limited recruiting program on the part of the Communist Party. One division was successful in having [redacted]

[redacted] the Party during a local recruiting drive inasmuch as the office had received advance notice of the drive and had security informants and potential security informants [redacted] where they would be considered [redacted]

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This is being called to your attention in view of the possibility that the Communist Party will engage in limited recruiting in your territory. As you are aware, it has been extremely difficult to obtain Communist Party membership for our security informants in the past several years and such a recruiting drive would afford an unusual opportunity for the advancement of your security informants. This opportunity should be pursued to the utmost both to obtain

• Communist Party membership for relatively new or potential security informants and to advance the standing in the Party of your present security informants. Any such recruiting program also provides opportunity particularly to obtain extremely accurate and reliable information concerning membership of the Communist Party. I cannot stress too strongly the need for securing accurate, reliable and up-to-date membership information not only on a district basis but on state and local bases as well. You should be on the alert for any indication of a recruiting drive on the part of the Communist Party in your territory and every opportunity afforded by such a drive should be seized and exploited to the utmost. In the meantime, additional emphasis should be placed on the development of good potential security informants who would be considered as logical recruits by the Communist Party in the event of a recruiting drive in your area. As you have been previously advised, it is absolutely essential that the field increase the quantity and quality of our security informant coverage in the shortest possible time. It is only through an alert aggressive program that you can expect to achieve the proper results and you should personally supervise the efforts of your office in this regard.

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EXCERPT FROM
SAC LT. # 53-20

(T) COMMUNIST PARTY, USA - MEMBERSHIP - INTERNAL SECURITY - C -- The necessity of reporting accurate and current Communist Party membership information cannot be overemphasized. In order to insure that all offices prepare these reports as uniformly and as accurately as possible it is essential that the following instructions be closely followed.

In preparing your estimate as to membership you must utilize all available informants and sources of information which are able to furnish any data concerning membership. On the administrative page you should include an evaluation of all the sources utilized by you together with an evaluation of the degree of reliability of the figures furnished by each such source and of the final figures reported by you. Information from one source only is not acceptable

unless you are able to set forth factors demonstrating conclusively that the information from this source is definitely the most accurate and most reliable information available.

When it is necessary to make computations to arrive at the final figures reported by you, the actual calculations utilized should be shown. Each office must set forth all available information to explain any increase or decrease occurring since the last previous report concerning membership.

In instances where your informants state that in addition to a certain number of active members there are other individuals whom they describe by the use of some such term as "inactive" or "paper" members, the informants should be questioned closely as to the meaning of the terms used by them and the number of individuals they consider as falling under those categories. In addition you should in the administrative section explain fully whether the individuals so designated have been included or excluded from the total membership figures, giving detailed reasons for such inclusion or exclusion.

Obviously the best source for membership information is Party records or Party sources. You must, therefore, continue to devote your personal attention to the development of security informants or sources of information who are in a position to obtain such data from Party records or Party sources.

These instructions are applicable to any communication furnishing membership information to the Bureau and must be followed in the preparation of the quarterly report due at the Bureau on April 20, 1953, and all subsequent quarterly reports.

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Director, FBI (100-3-94) (100-3-63)

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SAC, NY (100-96905) (100-74560)

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CP, USA - Underground Operations

CP, USA - Funds

[redacted]
On 3/17/53, [redacted] reported the details of a [redacted] b7D
tion he had with [redacted], prominent CP member, on [redacted]

[redacted] stated that recently her husband, [redacted]
defendant in the NY Communist trial, the indictment against
whom was dismissed, conferred with WILLIAM PATTERSON of the
Civil Rights Congress.

According to PATTERSON, the CP Underground is diverting
to its own use funds which formerly were donated to the Civil
Rights Congress. PATTERSON said that lately, he has had heated
arguments with Underground representatives (names not disclosed)
about this matter, and has charged them with impoverishing the
Civil Rights Congress to the extent that it is in danger of
going out of business. PATTERSON mentioned as an example of the
situation the case of an individual (name undisclosed) who
regularly contributed \$500 per month to the CP, but who has
been "stolen" by the CP Underground. In mentioning the CP
Underground representation, according to the informant, PATTERSON
called them the "Subway Brigade" and the "Brewer Brigade."

The informant said that many old-time Party members thus
refer to the Underground members, whom they distrust, and who
they believe would like to seize control of the Party.

[redacted] further told [redacted] that the Party realizes that b7D
it is presently stagnant, and attributes this condition to the
fact that "no one trusts anyone else." The Party feels that it
is infested with "stool pigeons," and as a result, "is afraid to
do anything."

The Party recently issued instructions, [redacted] stated, for
the membership to become active in trade unions and other mass
organizations. This activity, it is hoped, will rouse the member-
ship in general from its present condition of lethargic indifference.

- 1 - 100-80675 (Civil Rights Congress)
1 - 100-84275 (WILLIAM L. PATTERSON)
1 - 100-11119 (ISITOR: BLGUN)
1 - [redacted] b7D
① - 100-80636 (CP, USA - Membership)

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Letter to Director, FBI, 3/25/53
ME 100-96905, 100-74560

[redacted] mentioned also that there is a story being told among her Party contacts to the effect that [redacted] member of the Secretariat of the French CP, was expelled because it was ascertained that he had been a secret agent of the French police since 1917. [redacted] Brother-in-law allegedly furnished this information to the French CP.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NY
 FROM : PHILIP H. SHERIDAN (100-80638)
 SUBJECT: CPUSA - Membership
 IS-C

DATE: 3/27/53

A report dated 3/2/53 was received by the writer on 3/16/53 from [redacted]. The report contained information gathered by the informant in the course of conversation at the home of [redacted] CP member, and concerned progressive persons in Orange County for whose files copies are designated.

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The following names should be indexed:

RACHEL YOUNG	*
WYANI BAMBONI	
ETHEL HILF	
FANNIE LIGHT	*
SYLVIA LESH	*
LEON J. WEISS	
LOUIS YOUNG	
ALLEN YOUNG	
LOUIS BLUMBERG	*
ESTELLE BLUMBERG	*
ESTERITA BLUMBERG	
CHESTER ZUMBAR	
Mrs. CHESTER	*

A copy of this report is attached. The original may be found in file [redacted] as serial 90.

1 [redacted]
 1-NY 100-26603 (CPUSA Orange County)
 1-NY 100- (New) (RACHEL YOUNG)
 1-NY 100-104798 (LOUIS YOUNG)
 1-NY 100-new (FANNIE LICHT)
 1-NY 100-73665 (SYLVIA LESH)
 1-NY 100-new (LOUIS BLUMBERG)
 1-NY 100-new (ESTELLE BLUMBERG)
 1-NY 100-new (Mrs. CHESTER)
 1-NY 100-26603 (CPUSA) District #2

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We held a general discussion and I learned the following facts:

1. That Rachel Young's ancestry is Jewish and that her father was a cleric in the Jewish church.
2. That Rachel Young has been a member of the Communist Party and involved in Progressive activities for twenty years.
3. That Rachel Young claims to have recruited hundreds of people into the Communist Party.

4. That Rachel Young has planned [REDACTED] by the name of Wyani Bomboni, thirty-five and unmarried, who is currently instructing Rachel how to dance. The obvious purpose as explained to me by Rachel Young is not only the opportunity b7D but also an opportunity to [REDACTED]

indoctrinate this woman who is not a member of the party and to get her to perform at a musical fund raising venture which will take place at the Young home on a Saturday night in April.

5. That Rachel Young [redacted]
her sister who is a Hindu dancer and who will dance at the above mentioned Communist Party Fund raising venture.

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6. That the indoctrination classes [redacted] attend will be held and are currently being held every Tuesday night in a shack adjacent to [redacted] home and that five negro comrades are currently members of this class, that the instructor of this class is Lou Young, her husband, and that the issue currently being discussed in these classes is the Negro Question.

7. That Comrade Rachel Young is interested in possible recruitment of Mrs. ETHEL HILF, Social Studies teacher at the Fallsburg Central School who spoke on Guidance this evening at the Parent-Teacher Association meeting. She asked for Mrs. HILF's address which is Spring Glen, Ulster County, and declared that she will send literature to Mrs. Hilf clarifying the anti-semitic question now current.

8. That although Comrade Rachel Young thinks highly of Comrade Fannie Licht she thinks that Fannie Licht's [redacted] b7D which was the supposed reason for Sylvia's attendance to the Young's home, was a despicable action.

9. That Comrade Rachel Young has been frequently sending American Labor Party and Communist Party literature to Superintendent of Schools Leon J. Weiss, of the Fallsburg Central School, that in her estimation Weiss' claims of being very Progressive are a form of hypocrisy. I have observed that both Lou and Rachel Young are on very intimate conversational terms with Leon J. Weiss. I mean by this, that at the first P.T.A. meeting LOU YOUNG spoke lengthly with Mr. Leon J. Weiss and that at tonight's meeting Mrs. Rachel Young spoke lengthily with him.

10. That Comrade Rachel Young has not informed her [redacted] that she and her husband are Communists. b6
[redacted] b7C

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11. That Comrade Rachel Young has plans [redacted] visit Principal Louis Blumberg's brother and his brother's wife Esterita at their Lake Huntington Hotel, that Estelle Blumberg is a frequent speaker at Communist and Progressive parties, that Estelle ran on the American Labor Party ticket last election and that Rachel Young thinks very highly of her.

12. That Principal Louis Blumberg is Progressively inclined, probably voted the American Labor Party ticket last election, that Principal Louis Blumberg's wife is not Progressively inclined politically.

13. That the mother of Charlotte, Mr. Leon J. Weiss' secretary is a very active Progressive and that Charlotte is active limitedly because she is afraid.

14. That Comrade Rachel Young holds Principal Louis Blumberg in the highest esteem.

15. That Mrs. Chester, owner of the Chester Zumbar is an avid Progressive and a heavy financial contributor to Progressive causes, her contributions ranging to the sums of hundreds of dollars.

[redacted] classes of indoctrination and in Mrs. Rachel Young's plans are concerned, I informed Comrade Rachel Young to regard nothing as definite until I receive the consent of Comrade Fannie Licht.

[redacted] Comrade Rachel Young's [redacted] [redacted] his first name is Lou. Comrade b7D Lou Young also claims to have a Jewish background. His wife explained that he is new as an instructor of Communist indoctrination classes. Comrade Lou Young stated that one hundred thousand Communists are all that is necessary to institute a Soviet America, that the necessary cadre machinery for this purpose is ready to function. Lou Young commented on [redacted] the Italian organizations in Yonkers

by advising me to ignore problems of religion and politics with these people and to fester the sores of whatever complaints they may have. He cited a case in which this technique was used in regard to the constructions of road in this area. When I asked him whether the use of force would be necessary to institute a Soviet America, he said that force would probably have to be used and of course he is for its use if necessary.

SAC, NY

3/26/53

PHILIP H. SHERIDAN, SA (100-104798)

[redacted]
SP-C

A report dated 3/10/53 was received by the writer on 3/16/53 from [redacted]. The report contained information concerning the scheduled indoctrination course at [redacted] and [redacted] NY. The following additional names should be indexed and copies have been designated for the files where pertinent.

ALLEN YOUNG
RACHEL YOUNG
FRANK O'RYAN
ELI GOLDFARB
ODESSA ROBINSON

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A copy of this report is attached. The original may be found in file [redacted] as serial 88.

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1 [redacted]
1-NY 100-New (RACHEL YOUNG)
1-NY 100-75639 (DOROTHY LOMBARDO)
1-NY 100-New (FRANK O'RYAN)
1-NY 100-26603-C44 (CPUSA Tir County)
1-NY 100- (CPUSA - Orange County)
1-NY 100-80638 (CPUSA Membership)

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Report On Meeting Between [redacted]

[redacted] in this area, I dispatched a note through the medium of [redacted] to his mother, asking her to pick me up at 7:45 p.m. The note was not delivered on time for the simple reason that the boy, not knowing its content, proceeded to attend a basketball game via school bus in Washingtonville. I was compelled therefore to place a phone call and Comrade Rachel Young agreed to pick me up at 8:45 p.m. at a spot previously arranged.

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When she picked me up, I forwarded the instructions of [redacted] as explained in my March 7 report. She showed great disappointment as her plans [redacted] to become socially and actively involved in her area seemed extensive. At her house, she explained the situation to her husband, Louis Young who commented that [redacted] b7D five days a week in this area and it appeared a name that [redacted] get around a lot more. Nevertheless, they overtly accepted the instructions and said that they would discuss [redacted] more intensively with Comrade Fannie Licht.

I was introduced to a young negro woman, about twenty-eight, who lives in a wing of the Young home, by Rachel Young, who mentioned to her that I, Jim, would be attending classes with her. Other negro workers are also living in the Young home. They of course, have been receiving indoctrination as has also the hired man, who is an ex-A.A. (Alcoholics Anonymous) who has been working for the Young's for a two year period. His name is Frank O'Ryan. (I spotted it on an envelope.)

I was also introduced to Rae's brother, Eli, who is a modern blintz manufacturer. It is a fifty thousand dollar business. His blintzes (small apple and cheese pies)

are on the market under the :treit label. He owns a modern factory deep in the woods someplace. He is making a valiant attempt to get the Bird's Eye distributors of this state to distribute his product. Some Bird's Eye distributors are already distributing his product in Connecticut. He is Progressive and has a mechanical and inventive mind, having invented a considerable number of machines in the manufacture of his blintzes. He was a carpenter for a period of twenty years before blintzes. He claims that all he received for his carpentry was a bleeding ulcer. I was introduced to his wife who made the original blintzes and promoted them to local Monticello stores.

Rae informed me that a comrade in Glenwild who hires one of my colored school girls whose name is Odessa Robinson (a retarded learner) has been wanting to speak to me about Odessa. Odessa was carrying a copy of Freedom, the Negro Progressive paper in class today. Articles featuring Paul Robeson are included in this paper.

There was no class this evening because Comrade Louis Young had a large chicken order to fill. They will take place next Tuesday evening.

SAC, NY

3/27/53

PHILIP H. SHERIDAN, SA (100-75639)

DOROTHY LOMBARDO
SM - C

A report dated 3/7/53 was received by the writer on 3/16/53 from CI [redacted]. The report contains information concerning the informant's contacts with CP members for whose files, copies are designated. The following names should be indexed:

FANNIE LIGHT
HAROLD AKS
RACHEL YOUNG
WYANI BAMBONI, aka. Wynona Bamboni

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A copy of this report is attached. The original may be found in file [redacted] is serial 97 (P&G).

1-NY 100-New (FANNIE LIGHT)
1-NY 100-New (HAROLD AKS)
1-NY 100-New (RACHEL YOUNG)
1-NY 100- (CPUSA Orange County)
1-NY 100-26603-CB4 (Tri County, CPUSA)
X-NY 100-80638 (CPUSA Membership)
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Saturday [redacted]
Report on Meeting Between [redacted] and Comrade [redacted]

As previously reported, today was the day for the meeting between Comrade [redacted] in the corner of Livingston and Culver Street as planned. From there she drove me to the parking area opposite Roosevelt High School where we were supposed to meet Comrade [redacted]. [redacted] did not show up. [redacted] said that [redacted] was supposed to call her if she couldn't make it because of another meeting with two industrial people. b7D

I explained the details of my meeting with Comrade [redacted] to [redacted] told me to tell [redacted] that I am not a transfer, that a definite role has been planned for me to play in this concentration area, that the sole purpose of my meeting Comrade [redacted] is for the indoctrination classes. I am not to meet any other Progressive people in that area because [redacted] and [redacted] are going to great pains to keep my identity secret in terms of my role here in Yonkers. [redacted] okayed my meeting [redacted] for diversionary purposes.

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TO : SAC, New York (100-80638)

DATE: 3/30/53

EIP
FROM : SAC, Albany (100-9555)

CP

SUBJECT: CP, USA
 DISTRICT NO. 2
 NY DIVISION
 MEMBERSHIP
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The following is furnished to the New York and Buffalo Offices for use in preparing the Quarterly Report for the period, 1/1/53 through 3/31/53.

Northeastern Sub-District

Albany Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, estimated the membership in the Utica-Rome area to be 12 members.

Albany Confidential Informants T-2, T-3, T-4, T-5, and T-6, all of known reliability, and all of whom are in a position to identify CP members, estimate the membership of the Capital District, composed of Albany, Troy and Schenectady, New York, to be 92 members.

Western Sub-District

Albany Confidential Informant T-7, of known reliability, estimates the CP membership in Syracuse, New York to be 50 members.

Albany Confidential Informants T-7 and T-8, of known reliability, estimate the CP membership in the Triple Cities area, (Binghamton, Johnson City and Endicott, NY) and Spencer, New York to be 34 members.

Albany Confidential Informant T-9, of known reliability, estimates the CP membership in the Ithaca, New York area to be 21 members.

From the above figures, the total membership of the Communist Party in New York State covered by the Albany Division is 209.

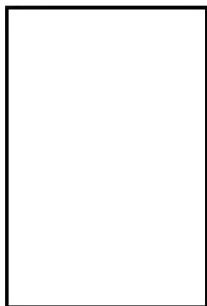
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contacted by SA HENRY OLIVER THOMAS
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TO : SAC, New York (100-80638)

DATE: March 31, 1953

FROM: SAC, Buffalo (100-4379-68)

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SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
DISTRICT NO. 2, BUFFALO DIVISION
MEMBERSHIP
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Re my letter December 24, 1952, concerning the estimate of CP membership in the Buffalo Division.

It is estimated that there are approximately 159 CP members in that part of the Sub-District of the CP which lies in the Buffalo Division. This figure is broken down as follows:

On March 30, 1953, [redacted] stated that as of that date, 105 members were registered in the Party during the current CP Registration Drive. Informant advised that this figure pertains to Buffalo, New York, and Lackawanna, New York.

[redacted] on November 18, 1952, estimated that the CP membership in Rochester, New York, was 33. b7D

[redacted] on May 21, 1952, stated that there were 11 CP members in Jamestown, New York.

[redacted] stated on April 18, 1952, that there are 10 CP members in Elmira, New York.

The foregoing information is being submitted so that the New York Office will have figures on the membership in the Buffalo Division for inclusion in its quarterly report on District No. 2.

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cc: 1 - Albany (100-9555)

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PHILIP H. SHERIDAN, SA (100- RACHEL YOUNG)

RACHEL YOUNG
SM - C

A report dated 3/15/53 was received by the writer on 3/16/53 from Confidential Informant [redacted]. The report contained information concerning RACHEL YOUNG of Glenwild, Orange County, N.Y. and her activities in New York City on [redacted]. The following additional names should be indexed and copies are designated for the files where pertinent:

PAUL _____
HLRB _____
ANNIE GOLDFARB
ANNA LEVIN

A copy of this report is attached. The original may be found in file [redacted] as serial # 49.

1-NY 100- (CP, USA, Orange County)
1-NY 100-104798 (LOUIS YOUNG)
1-NY 100-80638 (CP, USA Membership)
1-NY 100-View (SYLVIA GOLDFARB)
1-[redacted]

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Developmental Facts - [redacted]

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In accordance with yesterdays arrangement, I met Comrade Rae Young at [redacted]. She introduced me to her friend Paul, who was the man who answered the phone when I called the Wadsworth number yesterday. He is a playwright and his play is being currently performed in all of the People's Democracies although he has realized little in the way of royalties. I was introduced to another playwright friend by the name of Herb (Sizer?) who wrote a play that I am about to acquire. I can't remember the name of the play although I do remember that the number 49 is a part of it. Rae Young claims that he too is blacklisted. I met Comrade Annie Goldfarb Rae Young's sister, the Hindu Dancer, who has also written a play that she has been working on for the last two years and which she is currently trying to get produced.

Rae Young stated that her husband might not be able to teach classes this week and that Dave would probably take his place.

Rae Young spoke to me lengthily of her early Communist Party activities in Brooklyn, of her numerous arrests, of chaining herself to the door of Jay's Department Store. Her other sister who is a Registered Nurse and lives at the 57th St. address (See yesterdays report) has a service history, and although she was active Progressively in the past her service connected nervousness has caused her to change her philosophy and Rae claims that she does not discuss politics with her.

I am to meet Rae Young tomorrow at her sister Sylvia Goldfarb's house, and I will be introduced as a book salesman to schools who lives in the country. Dave will be there and he will bring his wife along. Evidently Dave's wife lives in the New York City area while he chicken farms upstate.

Rae Young questioned me about why I became a Communist. My reasons were not satisfactory to her at first but I convinced her finally that we meant the same things. She said that a Communist becomes Communist for selfish reasons. I would not accept this statement but after considerable discussion there was overt agreement of views.

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I spent the afternoon with Comrade Rachel Young looking at [redacted] I am to call her Tuesday in regard to the [redacted] classes.

SAC, New York (100-26603)

April 6, 1953

Director, FBI (100-3-4.)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA - DISTRICT NO. 2
NEW YORK DIVISION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

A review of the Bureau files reveals that the New York Office reported an estimated 12,637 Communist Party members in District 2 as of March 31, 1952; 11,659 as of June 30, 1952; 11,764 as of September 30, 1952, and 12,000 as of December 31, 1952.

The New York Office is instructed to closely follow the instructions outlined in SAC Letter No. 53-20 dated March 17, 1953, Part (T), in setting forth membership information on the Communist Party, USA, in the next quarterly report due at the Bureau on April 20, 1953, and all subsequent quarterly reports. The instructions in this SAC Letter should also be followed in setting forth membership information in connection with Communist Party activity in the New York, Kings, Bronx and Queens Counties and the Waterfront Communist Party Section, New York City.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-3-69)

FROM : SAC, Chicago (100-2398)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: 4-7-53

Re Chicago teletype to the Director, Washington Field,
and New York dated March 31, 1953 captioned [redacted]
[redacted] IS-C,

On March 30, 1953, [redacted] exhibited four letters
to SA CARL N. FREYMAN from [redacted]
prominent Communists of New York, dated [redacted] b7D
[redacted] Since the subject matter
contained therein is interrelated, all information
is being set forth in this letter.

Inasmuch as all information was received by this high
placed informant through personal correspondence and
would possibly only be stated by the [redacted] to the
informant, this information must be carefully handled
and paraphrased as to afford maximum security to the
informant.

[redacted]
[redacted] by letter of [redacted] advised that
[redacted] was going to work for [redacted]
at [redacted] New Jersey
in six to eight weeks. [redacted] will also work as
a waitress for [redacted] but not for a while. b7D

A letter of [redacted] dated [redacted] stated
that [redacted]
reception for the "13 people who are out on bail,"
(13 recently convicted New York Smith Act subjects.)
After the gathering, [redacted]
and a few people came to the [redacted]. They
talked to a number of people at the reception who they
had not talked to in a long time. All of them were
described as "very worried."

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Director, FBI

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ccs: 19 - New York (Encls. 3)(REGISTERED)

100-4931 (CP-USA)
100-5767 (MARCEL SCHERER)
100- (LENA SCHERER)
100- (BARNIE JOSEPHSON)
100- (HOWARD BOLT)
100- (ROB HALL)
100- (DAILY WORKER)
100- (GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY)
100- (SY GERSON)
100- (COMINFIL-UNITED PUR WORKERS UNION)
100- (COMINFIL-UNITED SHOE WORKERS UNION)
100- (CP-USA, MEMBERSHIP)
100- (CP-USA, NEGRO QUESTION)
100- (SODAC)
100- (HARRY HAYWOOD)
100- (WILLIAM WEINSTONE)
100- (AMERICAN PEACE CRUSADE)
100- (MRS. HARRY HAYWOOD)
100- (MAX WEISS)

3 - Washington Field (REGISTERED)

100-21404 (MARCEL SCHERER)
100- (SODAC)
100- ("ROB" HALL)

1 - Newark (REGISTERED)

100- (BARNIE JOSEPHSON)

5 - Chicago Files

100-8589 (MARCEL SCHERER)

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100-125 (CP, DISTRICT #8)
100-23491 (AMERICAN PEACE CRUSADE)
100-3952 (GIL GREEN)

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[redacted] stated that the [redacted] met in Chicago on [redacted] and [redacted] had expected that a meeting would be held on [redacted] to discuss the results but it was postponed.

A letter of [redacted] advised that [redacted] b7D [redacted] on the previous night attended a State Communist Party meeting which was led by [redacted]. She added that [redacted] after waiting ten months for such a meeting, was disappointed and "I think he is cured by now - all allusions are gone." She added that [redacted] now has a temporary job with a friend which will last until he gets the [redacted] job.

Referring again to the meeting of the [redacted] b7D [redacted] of the Communist Party, she stated that after the meeting results became known, the [redacted] have no fear that [redacted] has anything "easy to do" for [redacted]. She complained that all of the wives of the "big shots" (underground and Smith Act subjects) have been placed in jobs with mass organizations and "as you can see they care for their own."

Commenting on the [redacted] given at the [redacted] at Chicago on [redacted] (a photostat of the original is forwarded to New York as an enclosure, the original of which was returned to [redacted]) commented that the report had everything from "soup to nuts" in it. She added that she interpreted the approach of the document to the "peace question" to be generally to dissolve the existing peace organizations and to set up "something new." She commented that "solutions to all problems seem to be reorganization rather than a re-evaluation of the United Front and how to broaden it."

Commenting on the extent of her present Communist Party activities, [redacted] stated that frankly at this point she does not want to become a part of "that machine." She

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added that she had offered a few days a week to work with the [redacted] but months have passed and no word has been sent. She added, "obviously I am not wanted even on a volunteer basis."

The letter further stated that on the weekend of [redacted] and [redacted] we are driving to the capital where friends have expressed a desire to see us." She is taking along two documents of [redacted] which will be more specifically described under the caption. [redacted]

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The informant advised on March 30, 1953 that [redacted] to Washington where they met the first secretary of the Soviet Embassy on a Communist Party factionalist matter, to the trip of April 4 and 5, 1953. The Bureau, Washington Field, and New York were advised of this trip by teletype on March 31, 1953.

In reference to the [redacted] previously described, [redacted] by letter of [redacted] requested the return of the document since the handwriting appearing on the reverse side of page 22 contained the notes of [redacted]
[redacted] meeting above referred to.

HOWARD BOLT AND "ROB" HALL,
DAILY WORKER EMPLOYEES

According to information furnished by [redacted] to the informant on [redacted] HOWARD BOLT has been told his job with the "Daily Worker" terminates at the end of March after twenty years of service. "ROB" HALL, "Daily Worker" correspondent at Washington, will replace him in New York.

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REOPENING OF NEW YORK STATE HEADQUARTERS
OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY

[redacted] advised the informant on [redacted] that GEORGE

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BLAKE CHARNEY and SY GERSON have opened a State Party office. Additional personnel are being sought to improve the situation.

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, MEMBERSHIP

At an industrial division meeting of the Communist Party recently held and attended by a friend of the [redacted] [redacted] advised the informant on [redacted] it was stated b7D that only 5% of the Negro comrades in the Party in New York State have reregistered for 1953 of their own volition to date.

COMINFIL OF FUR WORKERS UNION

According to information furnished by [redacted] to the informant on [redacted] the Party has lost half of the rank and file members in the Fur Workers Union. Those comrades who remain are in daily struggle with the Union leadership.

COMINFIL OF SHOE WORKERS UNION

[redacted] advised the informant on [redacted] that the Shoe Workers Union has also lost many Communist Party members and there is confusion in the ranks on the eve of elections in the Union.

COMMUNIST PARTY, NEGRO QUESTION,
ROLE OF HARRY HAYWOOD

According to a letter of [redacted] HARRY HAYWOOD is fighting the present Communist Party line of "Negro Bourgeois Nationalism" in the Party as evidenced by the pamphlet of the National Education Commission in January, 1953 in the document by CHARLES P. MANN entitled "STALIN's Thought Illuminates Problems of Negro Freedom Struggle."

HAYWOOD recently had a critical session with a "committee" on the "MANN Document" and his criticism was rejected.

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HAYWOOD according to information obtained by the informant from [redacted] has turned in an article to the New York State Committee and the Communist Party National Committee in his wife's case involving "White Chauvinism." Whb7D He does is to show the "roots" of the so-called "White Chauvinism." He also wrote an article for "Political Affairs" answering the CHARLES MANN Document above referred to. The comment was made that in [redacted] opinion neither document will appear. [redacted] described HAYWOOD as the most politically educated Communist of his race.)

WILLIAM LAWRENCE

On March 26, 1953, [redacted] advised the informant that they, the [redacted] do not see much of WILLIAM LAWRENCE. She commented that he seems to be quite involved as she knew he would, once he took a full time party assignment.

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ARTICLE BY JOHN SWIFT, FEBRUARY, 1953
ISSUE OF "POLITICAL AFFAIRS"

[redacted] advised the informant on [redacted] that in her opinion, the "SWIFT" article in "Political Affairs," February, 1953, on the "United Front and Anti-Sectarianism", was written by some one not directly connected with day to day activities of the Party because it was abstract in setting the line.

In that connection, the informant added that in his opinion based on his knowledge of writing styles and content of leading Communist writers, he believes this article was written either by GIL GRFFEN or MAX WEISS.

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The enclosed photostats of "Peace Documents" were obtained by the informant [redacted] and by request the originals were returned to [redacted] for information.

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ENCLOSURES TO NEW YORK (3)

One (1) photostat of [redacted]

[redacted], Chicago,
[redacted]

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One (1) photostat of excerpts from speech
of F. JOLIET CURIE, President of
World Conference for Peace.

One (1) photostat of "Documents" of the
Vienna Congress for Peace.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NY ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

FROM : RICHARD H. BLASSER, SA (100-26603-C41)

SUBJECT : CP, USA
DISTRICT #2
NY DIVISION (QUEENS)
IS - C

DATE: 4/8/53

On 3/17/53, [redacted] advised the writer that on [redacted]
[redacted] Section Staff held a meeting at the home
or [redacted]
Those present in addition to the information were [redacted]
[redacted] At the meeting it was announced
there is to be a [redacted] CP Club in the [redacted]
The function of this club will be to conduct activity on be-
half of the [redacted] It was also announced the [redacted]
[redacted] Club of the [redacted] will work amongst
[redacted] people in the area. ✓

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1 - [redacted]
1 - NY 100-100921 (RUTH MULLER)
1 - NY 100-108771 (SID KATZ)
1 - NY 100-93861 (ELAINE PERESS)
1 - NY 100-54651 (OP, USA - National Groups)
1 - NY 100-26603 -C1445 (Maspeth CP Section)
1 - NY 100-70319 (MARGARET ROSOV)
1 - NY 100-100-110940 (EVELYN COOPER)
1 - NY 100-81338 (CP, USA - Security Measures)
1 - NY 100-96985 (CP, USA - Underground Operations)
1 - NY 100-79717 (CP, USA - Political Activity)
1 - NY 100-71535 (ROSE ZACHIN)
1 - NY 100-67197 (LILLIAN DORENZ)
1 - NY 100-34067 (ELIZABETH M. CHAIKEN)
1 - NY 100-77925 (RAE GREENBERG)
1 - NY 100-110300 (ARNOLD BERMAN)
1 - NY 100-NCF (MORTON LAUTER)
1 - NY 100-74560 (CP, USA - Funds)
1 - NY 100-80638 (CP, USA - Membership)
1 - NY 100-92366 (FANNY BARBARO)
1 - NY 100-107176 (MARY NOSSAM)
1 - NY 100-107255 (BOB NOSSAM)
1 - NY 100-100001 (DOROTHY RODMAN)
1 - NY 100-8522 (ALP)

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The informant reported MARGARET ROSOV is in charge of the PTA CP Club which does party work amongst the parents and teachers and will discuss school issues as well as domestic issues. The ALP CP Club of the Maspeth Section will conduct political activity and EVELYN COOPER will be the head of this club. ~~X U~~

The informant reported that on [redacted] a [redacted] was held at [redacted]. The informant described the house as a two family house and the meeting was held on the bottom floor. The informant reported that before the meeting at the above described house and at other [redacted] it is b7D the practice to drive to [redacted] where there is a parking lot. The various comrades meet here and drive in one car to the [redacted]. On the night of [redacted] while waiting for the comrades to appear the informant reported ROSE ZACHIN saw a woman driving a car that she knew she called to her as BETTY and ran over to her car. After talking to her for a short time she returned and remarked "there was a good comrade who was very active at one time but now all she does is pay dues and meets other Party financial obligations." The informant reported BETTY was driving a car bearing NY license T 78-45. ~~X U~~

The informant reported that on [redacted] the GLORIA (LNU) was driving a car bearing NY license KQ 85-51. ~~X U~~

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The informant reported ROSE (ZACHIN) appeared at the parking lot and turned money over to RAE (GREENBERG) and did not continue on the [redacted] ~~X U~~

Those at the [redacted] were [redacted] who collected the money from those comrades present. The 1953 CP registration was discussed and it was pointed out 33 CP members in the [redacted] CP Section have registered to date. ~~X U~~

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The informant reported FANNY BARBARO refuses to register as she claims she can not do any good for the Party as her family takes up all her time. ~~X~~ U

According to the informant the NOSSAMS have not registered as yet. However, DOROTHY RODMAN is continuing her efforts to register them. ~~X~~ U

The records of the Motor Vehicle Bureau, NYC reflect that car bearing NY license T 78-45 is owned by ELIZABETH M. CHAIKEN, 154-24 64 Avenue, Flushing. This car is a 1941 Buick Sedan (Black). 4

A review of the indices reflect a case file for an ELIZABETH M. CHAIKEN, aka BETTY described, forty years old, 5' 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", 145 pounds, Brown eyes, Light Brown Hair, short, boyish bob combed straight back and medium to olive complexion. (NY 100-34067) 4

The informant advised he observed the "BETTY" known to ROSE (ZACHIN), while sitting in a car but described her as follows: about forty, bobbed hair, small build and dark complexion. ~~X~~ U

The BMV, NYC records reflected that car driven by GLORIA (LNU) with NY plates KQ 85-51 is owned by LILLIAN DAREVZ, 5417 Junction Boulevard, Elmhurst, Long Island; for a 1949 Nash Sedan. 4

The indices of this office reflect a case file for a LILLIAN DARENZ, Junction Boulevard, Elmhurst, Long Island. She is described, Born 1910, 5'8" 140 pounds, Medium Complexion, Brown hair, Brown eyes, Stocky build, Prominent nose and wears glasses. (NY 100-67197) 4

[redacted] described "GLORIA" who was driving this car as follows: age forty-forty-five, Auburn hair, about 5' 5", 140 pounds, thin face and stock build. ~~X~~ U

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In addition the informant reported that while [redacted] RAE (GREENBERG) checked through the telephone directory for the address to which they were going for the meeting. While checking the directory informant overheard GREENBERG mumble to herself the name "LAMDOW" (Phonetic) or some variation thereof. 4

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A check of the cross directory in the library reflects an individual by the name of [redacted] New York, possibly identical with the individual who made his home available for a [redacted] New York. It should be noted the owner of this apartment did not participate in the meeting. However, [redacted] has stated that before the home of an individual will be used for a meeting or a station they must be CP members. X

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SAC, New York

April 13, 1953

PHILIP E. SHERIDAN, SA (100-75614)

DOROTHY LOMBARDO
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A report dated 3/22/53 was received by the writer ^{sub7D} 3/23/53 from Confidential Informant [redacted]. The report concerns a meeting with DOROTHY LOMBARDO whom the informant knows to be a Communist Party member.

In addition to DOROTHY LOMBARDO, the informant furnished information concerning the following persons about whom appropriate indication of his mention of them will be made in the individual case files.

HAROLD AKS
DOROTHY AKS
RACHEL YOUNG
ANTONIO LOMBARDO
SYLVIA LEW
FANNY LICHT
BEN DOMTZIN
BILL KAT
BUTCH FOX

A copy of this report is attached. The original may be found in file [redacted] as serial 103.

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1 - [redacted]
1 - 100- (HAROLD AKS)
1 - 100- (DOROTHY AKS)
1 - 100- (RACHEL YOUNG)
1 - 100-23125 (ANTONIO LOMBARDO)
1 - 100-73665 (SYLVIA LEW)
1 - 100-51082 (FANNY LICHT)
1 - 100-88191 (BENJAMIN DOMTZIN)
2 - 100- (BILL KAT)
1 - 100- (BUTCH FOX)
1 - 100-26603-^{sub4}(CP, U.S.-TRI COUNTY SECTION)
① - 100-88635 (CP, U.S.A. WORKERS TRADITION)
1 - 100-88297 (CP, U.S.A. CULTURAL ACTIVITIES)
1 - 100- (CP DISTRICT NO. 2 - MID WESTERN SECTION)

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Report on Meeting Between [redacted] and Comrade [redacted]
Sunday, [redacted]

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Not having been in contact with Comrade Dorothy Lombardo for a period of two weeks, I called Mr. Harold [redacted] home yesterday and told his wife to get in touch with Dorothy and to have her call me up. Today, approximately twenty four hours later, Comrade Dorothy Lombardo called.

She met me at the corner of [redacted] where I am to meet her again next Sunday.

I explained my activities in terms of my relationship with Comrade Rae Young. I told her that I thought Rachel Young was asking too many questions since she wanted to know who recommended us as a Communist Party member. Comrade Dorothy Lombardo casually stated that she, her husband Antonie Lombardo and Sylvia Lesh were the three people who had placed my name in. Dorothy continued to state that she would raise the objections I made concerning Rae Young to Comrade Fannie Light and that Fannie would put Rachel Young straight as to my position in the Party. My criticism of Rachel Young took the following form:

1. Rachel Young is not well informed as to the position I am in as a member of the Communist Party and is not taking the proper security measures. She has been careless in using my name and disclosing my vocation to her friends.

2. That Rachel Young's complaints about my "greeness" as a progressive are annoying. (Comrade Dorothy Lombardo stated that of course I am green since I am so new in the movement)

3. That Rachel Young and the friends I reported in last week's report had committed an act of white chauvinism in regard to their criticism of the play "The Big Deal" given at Yugoslav Hall last week. (plot involved Negro nationalism Communist style and excluded whites which comrades objected to.)

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I am to [redacted]
next Tuesday evening.

Comrade Dorothy Lombardo is taking lessons from Dave on Saturdays. Dave is the piano accompanist in Harold [redacted] interracial chorus.

* Comrade Dorothy Lombardo explained to me today that Bill Kay has been read out of the Progressive Movement on the basis of his self admitted informing to the F.B.I. who have been questioning him on his past college activities as well as his present activities. Comrade Ben Denton was sent by the Party to Bill Kay's home where Bill talked of the F.B.I. visits and his honest answers. Comrade Dorothy Lombardo, knowing that Bill Kay has knowledge of my Left Wing connections thought it best to warn me of his position. Not only this, but I shall receive further instructions on this score as a result of a special section meeting. I of course will do as I am told. If the above facts regarding Bill Kay are true, I will have a clearer indication as to whether this is another trap or not and I would like to be informed for obvious security reasons.

Comrade Dorothy Lombardo again emphasized that I am a member of the [redacted] in this whole area and that I should make Comrade Rae Young aware of this fact.

In regard to Bill Kay, Comrade Dorothy Lombardo stated that she fears for Ruth Fox and [redacted] must in anyway be dislodged as Communists.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NY

FROM : JOHN W. DOOLEY, SA (100-2603-C1755)

SUBJECT: CP - USA
DISTRICT #2
NEW YORK DIVISION
(BOULEVARD SECTION)
IS - C

DATE:

Attached hereto is a copy of a report of [redacted] of known reliability, dated 3/1/53. The original report was furnished to SA JOHN W. DOOLEY, on 3/12/52. In this report, informant gave an account of a [redacted] at which the ROSENBERG case, discrimination in Parkchester and other matters were discussed.

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The information contained in this report should not be disseminated outside the Bureau unless it is sufficiently paraphrased to protect informant.

The original report is filed as serial 87 of [redacted]

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1 [redacted]
 1-100-106343 (PHIL INNEMAN)
 1-100-80638 (CP Membership)
 1-100-68378 (ESTHER MOSES)
 1-100-112374 (HELEN RIFKIN)
 1-100-107111 (ROSENBERG Committee)
 1-100-100379 (Parkchester Committee)
 1-100 (JOS. GINSOLD)
 1-65-15348 (JULIUS & ETHEL ROSENBERG)

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Date of report March, 1, 1953

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[redacted], the following order of business was taken up, by Esther Moses, who came back officially as the S.O. of the Boulevard Section.

Registration, we are way behind in registration and [redacted] and do a job in the next few weeks.

Esther reviewed the names of those people who have yet not registered and gave [redacted] assignment. The following people were present [redacted] was not able to come because of sickness.

[redacted] to collect dues through March so that we are kept in good standing.

The Rosenberg case must be raised in every mass organization and discussed thoroughly now more than ever before if they are to be saved.

On the Parkchester issue the Decater case the following activities are planned for every week; every Tues. and Thurs. from 1 to 3, at Macys Parkchester tables and petition also a picket line at the Met. Life Ins. Co. office on 391 E. 149 St. also at 2061 St. Raymonds Ave. on the 9th floor, Schneider, for obtaining material for canvassing.

Also on Thursday, Feb. 26 a leaflet distribution at Hearns on 149 St. and Westchester Ave. at 7:30 P.M.

A general discussion followed this agenda and every one pledged to support in one way or another.

Esther also asked us to take down the following address and name, 1771 Fulton Ave. Apt 14, Gingold, there was to be a general mass Section and Region mobilization in this area the Claremont Section and we must go out with sub renewals and distribution of the S.W.

This is a must for everyone and we give our approval to go and work in this area this coming Sunday morning March 1.

Esther said that for our next two meetings we will discuss the draft resolution of the National Committee, each one of us will read it and recommend it to everyone we come in contact with and to urge them to send in their own personal comments on the resolution to the C.P. Nat. Committee.

The [redacted] was to hold a meeting on [redacted] house but she was not at home, I then went to Esther house and she was not at home, either, they had both gone to Washington on the Rosenberg case.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NY

FROM: PHILIP H. SHERIDAN, SA (100-75639)

SUBJECT: DOROTHY LOMBARDO
IS-C

Date: 4/14/53

A report dated 3/29/53 was received by the writer on 3/30/53 from [redacted] b7D. The report concerns a meeting with DOROTHY LOMBARDO and others whom the informant knows to be a CP member. Appropriate indication of this contact will be made in the individual case files.

A copy of this report is attached. The original may be found in file [redacted] as serial 107.

[redacted] b7D

1-NY 100-NCF (HAROLD SILVERMAN)
1-NY 100- NCF (BILL KAY)
1-NY 100-73665 (SYLVIA LESH)
1-NY 100-88297 (CP USA Cultural Activities)
1-NY 100-54651 (CPUSA Nationality Groups)
1-NY 100-51082 (FANNIE LICHT)
1-NY 100-NCF (RACHEL YOUNG)
1-NY 100-NCF (ANNIE JAFFE)
1-NY 100- NCF (MARJORIE JOHNSON)
1-NY 100-26603-C44 (CP Dist. #2 - Tri County Sect.)
1-NY 100-80638 (CPUSA + Membership)
1-NY 100-26603-C428 (CP Dist No. 2 Mid-Hudson Section)

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Report on Meeting Between [redacted] and Comrade [redacted]
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In accordance with previous instructions, I met and was picked up by Comrade [redacted] on the corner of [redacted]

[redacted] stated that she has an appointment with Harold Silverman at four o'clock, so she drove to his home.

On the way over, she informed me that Comrade Harold Silverman and his wife are going to Florida for a week. She criticized this severely in terms of Florida negro policy and made the statement that he would definitely have to answer for this indiscretion. Of course I agreed with her. While she was in the home of Harold Silverman, [redacted] reading a copy of Masses and the Mainstream that she had given me. As usual, there was a mass of other Communist literature in the car.

When she came out, I asked her if Harold had changed his mind. Dorothy Lombardo stated that he had not and that he still was going to Florida. I decided at this point to press the Bill Kay issue and here, Dorothy Lombardo made a definite slip.

I inquired about "thatscrewball, Bill Kay". Her reaction was an immediate defense reaction in which she sought to protect him. "He's not a screwball". Dorothy Lombardo said. When I inquired about how I should behave towards him, she replied in doubletalk terms. She mentioned something about not underestimating the F.B.I. and that the F.B.I. is presently following a policy of not doing anything because it better serves there purpose. I could not see the logic of this statement in terms of Bill Kay whom I was discussing.

Comrade Dorothy Lombardo inquired whether I had seen Sylvia Lesh or not. I responded that it was best for both of us if we did not see each other bearing well in mind that a very concerted and deinite effort is afoot on the part of my Communist Leaders and Sylvia to [redacted]

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My out so far has been interesting in the sense that I claim that I am an easy prey for any beautiful woman and that because of this fact [redacted]

[redacted] Dorothy Lombardo thinks this attitude of mine is childish of course, but I am maintaining it because it serves to [redacted] Sylvia Lesh who b7D really totally disinterests me. [redacted] with her originally to stop her annoying questions which constantly put me on some sort of spot. I am afraid that in this case I was a bit too successful. Sylvia has gone as far as to rent a room [redacted]. I state these sordid details for the purpose of clarifying my relationship with Sylvia Lesh in terms of the objectives that the Communist Party have in mind for me.

Note Comrade Dorothy Lombardo pointed out the fact, that the home adjacent to that of Harold Silverman belongs to Harold's brother.

Comrade Dorothy Lombardo [redacted]

[redacted] Communist at present is to pull strings to get a job in Yonkers. She asked me to talk to prominent Republican Party leaders on this point and to go to work on it during the following week. b7D

I pressed the point of the Italian Social and Athletic Club situation by mentioning that I had spoken to Frank Bruno, an editor of the local Italian language newspaper "Il Corriere", and that he had specifically asked me to write up these organizations in English for the English page of the paper. I pointed out that I could manage to get a considerable amount of information of Italian organizations their structure, size, officers etc. by using this reporter angle. She commended me on this angle and said that I should further my relationship with Frank Bruno because it would be useful. She stated that she would take it up with Comrade Fannie Licht with whom she has a meeting this coming Thursday. Comrade Dorothy Lombardo stated that she would call me Friday night from New York City to let me know about a planned meeting for me with Fannie Licht.

I complained to Dorothy Lombardo again of the lack of security consciousness on the part of the Rachel Young group. I complained that there is no agreement between us on some sort of faked up history for me to spout to any possible questioners. The only fait accompli along these lines is that I have been introduced [redacted] I stated that when Annie had asked me where I lived, I had given her the truth because a specific prearranged plan along these lines had not been arrived at. I told her that my security was too important to allow b7D these indiscretions to occur. I made these complaints to protect my obvious indiscretion.

Note - one of the [redacted] an [redacted] where things are getting personal. I know very little about her background and feel that a security check would clear this matter up. If she is a Communist, I may have made some indiscretion. If she is not, all well and good.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NY

Dated: 4/14/53

FROM : PHILIP H. SHERIDAN, SA (100-80638)

SUBJECT: CP USA - MEMBERSHIP
IS-C

A report dated 3/23/53 was received by the writer
on 3/30/53 from [redacted]. The report concerns the first
[redacted] attended by the informant.

Present at this class were other persons whom the informant
believes to be CP members, and copies are designated for
their case files.

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LOUIS YOUNG
HAYWARD _____
MARIE _____
OLIN _____
KY
ANNIE GOLDFARB
ANNIE JAFFE
LARRY BLUMBERG

A copy of this report is attached. The original
may be found in file [redacted] as serial 105.

1 [redacted]

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1-NY 100-104798 (LOUIS YOUNG)
1-NY 100- NCF (HAYWARD _____)
1-NY 100- NCF (MARIE _____)
1-NY 100- NCF (OLIN _____)
1-NY 100- NCF (KY _____)
1-NY 100- NCF (RACHEL YOUNG)
1-NY 100-NCF (ANNIE GOLDFARB)
1-NY 100-51082 (FANNIE LICHT)
1-NY 100-NCF (ANNIE JAFFE)
1-NY 100-26603-C44 (CPUSA - Tri County Section)
1-NY 100-26603-C428 (CP District No. 2, Mid-Hudson Section)
1-NY 100-80633 (CPUSA-Education)

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Report on the First [REDACTED] by
[REDACTED] at the Home of Comrades [REDACTED]

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Comrade [REDACTED] picked me up in his truck and drove me directly to his home. In the apartment directly adjacent to the kitchen where a Negro Comrade and his wife live, [REDACTED] the class commenced. I was formally introduced to the other Communist comrades present as [REDACTED]. Only first names were used in the introduction. The following comrades were present;

1. [REDACTED] A [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] ticket during the last election for [REDACTED]. He is from North Carolina, not well educated and was formally employed in a [REDACTED] where [REDACTED] he was discharged on the basis of union organizing activities (he received instructions along these lines from Communists in NYC) - a strike attempt and also because his employer considered him a Communist in lieu of his intimate associations with Comrade [REDACTED] whose Communist activities are well known in this area. Very talkative and ardent Communist whom [REDACTED] has been working on for some time.

2. [REDACTED] This is [REDACTED] brother. [REDACTED] managed to get his brother employed as [REDACTED]. He has a [REDACTED] record and spoke of [REDACTED] area of the [REDACTED]. He too is [REDACTED]. He is single; his brother is married.

3. [REDACTED] woman whom I mentioned in a previous report. She lives in the apartment in [REDACTED] home where the classes were held this evening. She has a child of about two years. She is not too expressive verbally.

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4. [REDACTED] Quiet type, not very vocal, not too well educated. Relies economically on the [REDACTED]. Has been attending classes regularly.

5. [REDACTED] will not be a regular member of our classes. She will remain

with her sister Comrade Rachel Young until this coming Friday. Evidently, she too was involved with the meeting with Comrade Fannie Light who spent the weekend here and left yesterday morning. [] is well educated and constantly brought out the correct Marxian implications of our discussions. She is the [] and is in the process of completing a play that she has been working on for a period of two years,

6. []

7. Louis Young Comrade Louis Young acted as instrudtor of tonights class and assigned next weeks lessob7D which will be subsequently discussed.

8. []

[] Upon the termination of the class a woman introduced as [] came in. She is an exceedingly [] woman, about []. [] She spoke familiarly of a Larry, whom I assumed to be Larry Blumberg, Comrade Louis Young dropped her off at a nearby house on whose mail box was inscribed the name Jaffe. This [] is definitely a thinker along Communist Party lines and because of her obvious intimate association with the Youngs, I assume that she is one.

The class itself centered on a discussion of the Negro Question. Everyone participated in the discussion which lasted more than two hours. The book currently being used in the course is called "Theory and Practice of the Communist Party". This book is prepared by the National Education Department of the Communist Party. It is published by the New Century Publishers, 832 Broadway, New York 3, NY. Our lesson for next week is Lesson V which is on Socialism. The last lesson in this booklet is on the Communist Party itself.

With this assignment, Comrade Louis Young distributed accompanying reading material. He stressed the reading of the pamphlet entitled Socialism by A. B. Magil, New Century Publishers. Among the other literature distributed to the class was a pamphlet by Gus Hall entitled Marxism and Negro Liberation, New Century Publishers, Why I am a Communist by Benjamin J. Davis, New Century Publishers, Constitution of the Communist Party, published by the Communist Party, U.S.A. National Office 35 E. 12th St. New York 3, N.Y. and Economic Problems of Socialism in the U.S.S.R. by Joseph Stalin, International Publishers New York.

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TO : SAC, New York

DATE: April 7, 1953

FROM : Director, FBI (100-3)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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The New York Office is instructed to carefully follow the instructions outlined in SAC Letter No. 53-20 dated March 17, 1953, Part (T), in reporting Communist Party membership information in the next quarterly report due at the Bureau April 20, 1953, setting forth general information on the Communist Party, USA.

The Bureau is most desirous of obtaining the most accurate Communist Party membership figures available. The New York Office is the office of origin on the Communist Party, USA, and, therefore, has the basic responsibility of determining accurate Communist Party membership figures on a national basis.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

- QUARTERLY PERIOD -
January 1 through March 31, 1953

Conviction of 13 CP leaders on 1/21/53 for violation of Smith Act not expected to terminate their leadership for present because of anticipated appeals. NY State CP has called for support of "Daily Worker" circulation drive because "Daily Worker" is organizer and agitator. Current estimated membership in District #2 is 12,200, with 11,832 in NY Division. No fund drives now in progress in NY area. No activity noted in bank accounts of NY and Queens County and no accounts known for Bronx and Kings County. Due to arrests of top CP functionaries, Party is encountering difficulties in obtaining alternate leadership. Underground operations impairing efficiency of CP. CP USA Underground Buro reportedly planned for June 1953. CP group system of restricting size of club continues. CP following caution in utilizing telephones, mail, and in attending meetings. Evidence of concern over loyalty of membership revealed. Informant has reported a visit by CP member to Russian Embassy, Washington, D. C., with aim of fostering

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factional fight rather than improving Party leadership. NY State Committee has published guide on Prague Trial to refute charges of anti-Semitism raised against that prosecution. US Senate Sub Committee on Internal Security held hearings on February 1953 at NYC re the UN employees suspected of subversive activity. WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, National Chairman, in "Daily Worker" article denounces US attempts at UN to brand USSR war aggressor. Informant advises Draft Resolution of National Committee released 12/28/52 for discussion, is intended to put CP policy in line in program recently outlined by congress of CPSU and envisages broad united front with masses of Democratic Party and right wing organizations generally. CP has opposed 15 per cent rent increase passed by State Legislature and has participated in two delegations to Albany. Hearings held by State Board of Regents under Feinberg Law to determine subversive nature of CP assailed. Discharge of NYCPD Commissioner demanded for alleged conspiracy with Department of Justice to deny Negro rights. New York State CP backs housing project tenants in refusal to execute loyalty statements. Support for May Day Parade urged. CP attaches great importance to its industrial concentration and "colonization" policies. Industrial Section in NYC being reorganized. "Vet's Voice" of AVP urges cease fire in Korea to end "senseless" war. "Vet's Voice" has also urged clemency for ROSENBERGS as victims of war hysteria. VALB condoled ANDREI GROMYKO on death of STALIN. Informant reports dissension in CP over seizure of leadership by "Negro Nationalists," who use Party and Marxism for Negro rights struggle. "Daily

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"Worker" charges conspiracy to protect NY Police in commission of brutality against Negroes and conspiracy to make commonplace murder of US Negroes. Negro History Week in February made occasion for marking contributions of Marxists to Negro history. LYL urges members to join right wing organizations to effect struggle for peace. LYL in drive for 450 new NY members. "Youth Review" to be new Marxist quarterly. 150 women reported in "Daily Worker" to have signed plea for amnesty for "11" convicted leaders. Capitalist morality blamed for JELKE compulsory prostitution case. CP stimulating union organization of Puerto Rican farm laborers in NY area. Jefferson School of Social Science Cultural Program opened on 1/16/53. Value of progressive cultural work among Jewish masses urged by "Morning Freiheit". NCASP sponsoring series of lectures in NYC on "Our National Culture", by HOWARD LAWSON. "Daily Worker" condemns American Legion for its protest of Chaplin's "Limelight". Seven locals of Nature Friends of America have seceded from National Organization because of pro-Communist policies. "Daily Worker" published series of articles in January and February on Prague Trial condemning Zionism. Puerto Rican CP considering resident representative in NYC for liaison with CP, USA. "Daily Worker" publicized support of clergymen for clemency for ROSENBERGS, repeal of McCarran Act, and amnesty for convicted 11 leaders. Jefferson School of Social Science reported in difficulty in recruiting students with opening of spring term delayed one week.

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GLOSSARY OF ORGANIZATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

The following is a list of organizations and publications referred to in this report, together with a characterization of each. These documentations will not be repeated elsewhere in the report:

AMERICAN LABOR PARTY (ALP) - A political party in New York State which is Communist controlled and dominated, according to Confidential Informant T-18.

AMERICAN PEACE CRUSADE - Cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities on February 19, 1951 as an organization established by the Communist Party as a new instrument for its peace offensive in the US.

AMERICAN VETERANS FOR PEACE (AVP) - A Communist front veterans organization, according to Confidential Informant T-58.

THE CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS (CRC) - Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

THE COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF GREEK-AMERICANS - A Communist dominated and controlled organization, according to Confidential Informant T-14.

THE CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLES FOR PEACE - Held in the Russian sector of Vienna from December 12, 1952 to December 20, 1952. The congress was a "propaganda blast" at the United States and accused the United States and the United Nations forces of terrible atrocities in Korea while extolling the peaceful intentions of the USSR - according to Confidential Informant T-15.

"DAILY WORKER" - An East Coast Communist daily newspaper.

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"FOR A LASTING PEACE, FOR A PEOPLE'S DEMOCRACY" (FLP) -
The organ of the Information Bureau of the Communist
and Workers Parties (COMINFORM), Bucharest, Rumania.

"FREEDOM" - T-13 has stated that the editorial board
of "Freedom" is composed of Communist Party members
and sympathizers.

"GREEK-AMERICAN TRIBUNE" - A pro-Communist weekly
newspaper, printed in Greek and English and is the
Greek organ of the Communist Party, USA, according
to Confidential Informant T-14.

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF STUDENTS (IUS) - Cited by the
House Committee on Un-American Activities in its
report on April 17, 1947.

JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE (JSSS) - Cited by
the Attorney General as coming within the purview
of Executive Order 9835.

"JEWISH LIFE" - ".....We of 'Jewish Life' owe a
special debt to the 'Morning Freiheit' for we are
its English speaking off-spring" (April 4, 1952,
page 22, columns 1 and 2).

LABOR YOUTH LEAGUE - Cited by the Attorney General
as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

"LEAGUE BUILDER" - A bulletin issued by National
Administrative Department of the Labor Youth League
described hereinbefore.

"MASSES AND MAINSTREAM" (M & M) - Has been identified
by T-18 as being the Cultural monthly magazine of
the Communist Party.

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METHODIST FEDERATION FOR SOCIAL ACTION (MFSA)
While not an official agency of the Methodist Church,
the MFSA has closely followed the Communist Party
line for years, according to Confidential Informant
T-36.

THE "MORNING FREIHEIT" - The "Worker", January 9,
1944, Section 2, Page 3, contained an article by
WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, Chairman of the Communist Party,
USA, in which he stated that the "MORNING FREIHEIT"
is one of the many papers either owned or supported
by the Communist Party,

THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO REPEAL THE MC CARRAN ACT (NCRMA)

A Communist Front organization created for the purpose
of securing repeal of the Internal Security Act of 1950,
commonly called the MC CARRAN Act, according to Confi-
dential T-5.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS
(NCASP) - Cited as a Communist front organization by
the House Committee on Un-American Activities, report
number 1954, dated April 19, 1949.

THE NATIONAL NEGRO LABOR COUNCIL - A Communist Party
negro front organization, according to T-31.

THE NATURE FRIENDS OF AMERICA, INC., - Cited by the
Attorney General as coming within the purview of
Executive Order 9835.

"NEW CHALLENGE" - A monthly publication of the Labor
Youth League.

"NEW FOUNDATIONS" - An "Appeal to Students in Defense
of Academic Freedom" published by the editors of "NEW
FOUNDATIONS", and furnished by Confidential Informant
T-5 on October 29, 1951 described this publication as a
"student Marxist magazine".

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NEW PLAYWRIGHTS, INC. - Receives constant support from the "DAILY WORKER" an East Coast Communist newspaper. For example the "DAILY WORKER" of July 19, 1950, Page 11 Confidential Informant described it as a "militant new theatre group" whose plans and programs make it the "most important Cultural development of the last few years".

PROGRESSIVE PARTY (P.P.) - According to Confidential Informant T-30 this organization has not been free to criticize the foreign policy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) since June 1950 and has always consistently followed the Soviet Union's foreign policy as opposed to that of the United States.

The "DAILY WORKER" of November 3, 1952, page 5, column 1, stated that the Progressive Party is the American Labor Party in New York State.

THE UNITED COMMITTEE OF JEWISH SOCIETIES AND LANDS ← MINSHAFT FEDERATIONS - Serves as a central or coordinating committee and is composed of various national Jewish organizations and trade unions and follows the Communist Party line - according to Confidential Informant T-10.

VETERANS OF THE ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE (VALB) - Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

"THE WORKER" - Sunday edition of the "DAILY WORKER" described hereinbefore.

WORLD FEDERATION OF DEMOCRATIC YOUTH (WFDY) - Cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities in its report on April 17, 1947.

THE YIDDISHER KULTUR FARBAND - (YKUF) - Cited by the Attorney General as within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

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"YOUTH NOTES" - A monthly publication of Educational Department of the Labor Youth League, described hereinbefore.

"YOUTH AND CONGRESS" - A bulletin of Educational Department of the Labor Youth League described hereinbefore.

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DETAILS: This is a joint report covering pertinent activities of District No. 2, CP, USA during the quarterly period January 1, to March 31, 1953, prepared by the following Special Agents:

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All Confidential Informants mentioned in this report are of known reliability unless otherwise indicated.

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Re: MEMBERSHIP

(Bufile 100-3-69)
(New York file 100-80638)

This section was prepared by SA Joseph V. Waters.

Membership of District #2

The current estimated membership of the Communist Party in District Number 2 which comprises New York State is 12,200.

The current estimated membership in the New York Division is 11,832.

Confidential Informant T-6 has stated that a source believed by him to be reliable has informed him that the Communist Party now has no more than 20,000 members in the United States in contrast to the 80,000 members which the party had during the time EARL BROWDER was its leader.

1953 Registration of Members

Confidential Informant T-7 has described the form used by the Communist Party in its 1953 registration of its members in the Bronx as a mimeographed form 11" long and 7 3/4" wide. It has a number appearing on the upper and lower left-hand corners of the sheet, both numbers being the same. On the left-hand side of the sheet there are numbers from one to ten beginning at the bottom. Also appearing on the sheet are ten columns leaving space for the following information.

Numerical identification	Member Registered
Age of member	
Sex of member	
National Group of member	
Length of membership in Communist Party	
Occupation	
Union Affiliation with name and number of local	
Membership in mass organization	
Any membership in Labor Youth League	
Indication of Visit to member by police or FBI	

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Confidential Informant T-7 noted that in the course of registration all information noted above is to be obtained concerning each member, with particular reference to his membership in a union and the type of work of that member. The informant had been given to understand that the Party is reverting to the policy of 1951 when every member of an important union or industry was to be placed in a proper unit.

The informant further noted that as each member was registered and notations made on the sheet beginning at the bottom line (number one) that portion of the sheet was to be removed and returned to the section officer handling registration.

Confidential Informant T-7 advised on February 1, 1953 that he had been instructed to [redacted] as quickly as possible in order that the Party may move on to its next task, that being a [redacted]

Confidential Informant T-8 has reported that the b7D [redacted] County was carried on in the first part of January, 1953. This informant noted that members in that County were interrogated in the same particulars as reported by Confidential Informant T-7.

Status of Communist Party Membership

Confidential Informant T-9 states that he has learned that the CP realizes that it is presently stagnant and the reason for this condition is attributed to the fact that no one trusts any one else. The Party has a feeling that it is infested with "stool pigeons" and therefore is afraid to do anything. This informant has also advised that he has learned that the Party has recently issued instructions for members to become active in trade unions as well as other mass organizations. The instructions were issued in the hope that such activity will arouse the enthusiasm of members from their present feeling of indifference.

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MEMBERSHIP

(Bufile 100-3-68)
(New York file 100-80638)

This section was prepared by SA JOSEPH V. WATERS.

All security informants on communist matters in the New York Division were questioned concerning their knowledge of membership figures for District Number 2 at the present time, but could give no figures with the exception of Confidential Informant T-6. T-6 has reported that MERCEDES ARROYO, a member of the New York State Committee of the CP, a short time prior to January 27, 1953, had stated to him that the Party is presently dormant. She estimated that the CP at the present time has no more than 20,000 members, contrasting this with 80,000 members in the CP during EARL BROWDER'S period of leadership.

It is believed that this statement by ARROYO was intended to be a rough estimate of the current membership inasmuch as the informant was not seeking actual figures. Furthermore, it is not believed that ARROYO is in a position of such authority to know the actual figures on a national basis.

As an indication that the figure mentioned by ARROYO should be accepted with caution, attention is directed to my letter to the Bureau dated December 18, 1952 entitled, "CP, USA MEMBERSHIP, IS-C", in which letter it was noted that BROWDER in the early part of 1945 had declared that the Party then had 80,000 members whereas in the middle of the same year, 1945, HENRY WINSTON stated that the Party had 52,800 members.

The membership in District 2 was estimated as follows. Bureau letter dated February 10, 1953 sets out that the present estimated membership of the CP, USA is 25,497. With the membership for District Number 2 having been estimated heretofore at 12,000 this leaves a remainder of 13,497 outside of District Number 2.

In a document containing membership figures which apparently represented statistics for all CP Districts in the United States, made available by Informant T-5 on March 30, 1951, it was found that the membership of District Number 2 was 47.475% of the total national membership, while membership in the Districts other than Number 2 was 52.525% of the total national membership.

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In the belief that this same approximate ratio prevails now as it did as of March 30, 1951, it was computed that there are approximately 12,200 members in District Number 2.

By letter dated March 30, 1953 the Albany office advised that the Communist Party membership total in the area covered by that office is now 209.

By letter dated March 31, 1953 the Buffalo office advised that the total Communist Party membership in the Buffalo Division is 159.

By subtracting the sum of these two figures, 368, from the estimate of 12,200 for all of District #2, it is found that there are an estimated 11,832 Communist Party members in the New York Division.

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Identity of Source	Date of Activity and/or Description of Information	Date Received	Agent to Whom Furnished
T-1 [redacted]	Removal of headquarters of NY Youth Peace Crusade on February 15, 1953.	3/20/53	SA LEON F. SCHWARTZ
T-2 [redacted]	Statement of MELVIN WILLIAMSON on February 1, 1953. Labor Youth League policy on joining mass organizations. Circular describing "Youth Review"	2/10/53 3/16/53	SA STANLEY R. SHARP SA JOSEPH V. WATERS
T-3 Confidential Mail Box of NY Office	"Youth Notes" Vol. II No. 1 January, 1953. "Youth Notes" Vol. II, No. 2 February, 1953 "Youth and Congress" No. 1, March 15, 1953. Pamphlet re NY CASP Peace cartoons	2/13/53 3/16/53 3/16/53 3/11/53	SA JOHN T. MURPHY SA JOHN T. MURPHY SA JOHN T. MURPHY SA JOHN T. MURPHY
T-4 [redacted] bf	"LEAGUE BUILDER" Bulletin No. 1 February 20, 1953 (photostatic copy)	3/10/53	SA RICHARD S. MC ELIECE
T-5 [redacted]	Documentation of "NEW FOUNDATIONS". Documentation of National Committee to Repeal the MC CARRAN Act.		
T-6 [redacted]	Estimate of current membership in CP USA. Information concerning CP activities among the Puerto Ricans	1/27/53 2/15/53	

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m 6	Film and article prepared for Puerto Rican film laborers.	2/1/53	
	Underground operations: 1/16, 21, 27/53		
	Reorganization - Leadership difficulties attributable to arrests.		
	Underground operations: 1/21/53		
	Efficiency of CP impaired		
	Security Measures & Informers 1/21/53		
	January 20, 1953 CP leadership after trial.	1/21/53	
T-7	1953 membership registration	1/21/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY b7D
	Status of "DAILY WORKER" subscription drive	2/17/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	January 10, 1953 Demonstration on behalf of ROSENBERGS	1/21/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Underground operations:	2/16/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Modus operandi		
	Underground operations:	2/17/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Registration by underground leader		
	Underground operations: surprise CP demonstration	1/10/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Security Measures: CP meetings	2/17/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Security Measures: Registration	1/21/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
T-8	1953 membership registration	1/19/53	SA HERBERT B. GRANT
	Removal from premises at 9 Riverdale Avenue, Yonkers, NY	2/28/53	SA PHILIP H. SHERIDAN
	Security Measures - Registration	1/19/53	SA HERBERT B. GRANT

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T-9 [redacted]	Condition of membership and instructions to join mass organizations	3/17/53	SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON
	Underground operations: Reorganization Leader-ship difficulties attributable to arrests	3/15, 17/53	SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON
	Underground operations - Funds.	3/17/53	SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON
	Underground operations - Efficiency impaired.		b7D
T-10 [redacted]	12/30/53	1/6/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Kingsbridge CP Club meeting 2/12/53	3/2/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	1/20/53	2/4/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	1/31/53	2/4/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Conference of the Jewish Committee for Peace	1/13/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Documentation of the United Committee of Jewish Societies		
	NYC YKUF Conference	2/9/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Info re negro history week	2/17/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Demonstration on behalf of ROSENBERGS on 1/10/53	1/16/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Underground operations: Reorganization - leader-ship difficulties attributable to arrests	2/25/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Underground operations: Modus operandi	2/3/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Underground operations: CP groups	2/4/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY

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T-11 [redacted]	ALP-CP Club meeting, Queens County, NY. Leaflet "Question Guide on the Prague Trials"	3/25/53	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	"Guide Questions" on Draft Resolution	2/6/53	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	Memo on negro history week	2/6/53	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	Same as National T-47 item 2		
	Same as National T-47 items 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10		
	Underground operations: Modus operandi	3/25/53	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	Security Measures - "DAILY WORKER"	3/25/53	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	Security Measures - meetings	2/16/53	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	Security Measures - meetings	3/12/53	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	Security Measures - meetings	3/25/53	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	Security Measures - transfers	2/16/53	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	Security Measures - membership registration	3/12/53	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	Security Measures - general	1/13/53	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER
	Security Measures - general	3/12/53	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER

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[redacted]	Jefferson School of Social Science Student Weekly news- paper dated 1/12/53	2/9/53	SA E. K. DEANE SE BILLY E. WEBB
	Jefferson School of Social Science Student Weekly news- paper dated 1/26/53	2/9/53	SE BILLY E. WEBB
	NCASP Rally for ROSENBERGS 3/29/53	2/23/53	SA J. E. GIBLER SE BILLY E. WEBB
	"Vets Voice" Vol V No. 2, February 1953 official organ of AVP	2/2/53	b7D SA J. E. GIBLER SE BILLY E. WEBB
	"Vets Voice" Vol V No. 3, March 1953	3/16/53	SA E. K. DEANE SE N. J. HAND

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[redacted]	Convention of the Nature Friends of America, Inc.	3/25/53	HENRY VON ECKARDT (orally)
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[redacted]	Meeting of the Committee for Protection of Greek-Americans	2/25/53	CHRISTOPHER PAPPIANOU
	Documentation of Greek-American Tribune		
	Documentation of Committee for Protection of Greek-Americans		

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T-15 [redacted]	Documentation of the Congress of the Peoples for Peace		
T-16 [redacted]	Defection in the CP due to anti-Semitism	2/3/53	SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON
T-17 [redacted]	Information concerning the Yugoslav-American Home	3/30/53	HENRY VON ECKARDT (orally)
T-18 [redacted]	Documentation of "MASSES AND MAINSTREAM" Documentation of American Labor Party Underground Operations - 10/13/53 General		b6 Testimony before b7C Senate Internal b7D Security Committee
	Security Measures - back- ground	1952	SA ARBOR W. GRAY
	Security Measures - 1948		
	National Convention	1952	SA ARBOR W. GRAY
T-19 [redacted]	Documentation LESTER COLE and JOHN HOWARD LAWSON	7/26/50	
T-20 [redacted]	Documentation ALBERT PEZZATI	8/46	
T-21 [redacted]	formation re nk Account Queens unty CP	3/31/53	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER

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T-22 [redacted]	Series of lectures by JOHN HOWARD LAWSON on 3/20, 27 and 4/10, 17/53	2/28/53	SA WILFRED SCHLARMIN
T-23 [redacted]	Information re NY County CP Bank Accountant	2/2/53 3/2/53 4/1/53	DALE H. WILLIAMS b7D
T-24 [redacted]	Made available bank statements and cancelled checks of NY State CP	2/53 3/53 4/1/53	DALE H. WILLIAMS

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T-25	Factionalist dispute	1/19/53	CARL N. FREYMAN (oral)
	Significance of draft resolution	1/5/53	"
	Effects of draft reso- lution on CP leader- ship	1/13/53	"
	Effects of draft reso- lution on Progressive Party	12/19/52	"
	Security measures - Communications	12/19/53	"
	Security measures - CP meetings	"	"
	Security measures - Hindrances to Party operations		
T-26	CP plans of "coloniza- tion" & industrial concentration	1/29/53	JAMES N. JULIANA & JOSEPH A. CULLEN
	Underground operations: Modus operandi	1/26/53 3/9/53	"
	Underground operations: Efficiency of CP impaired	2/16/53	JOSEPH A. CULLEN

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T-26 [redacted] [redacted]	Underground operations: CP fugitives	1/26/53	JAMES N. JULIANA & JOSEPH A. CULLEN
	Underground operations: General	"	"
	Security measures - Peekskill concert in 1949	2/16/53	JOSEPH A. CULLEN
	Security measures - Verification 1950 membership	1/29/53	JAMES N. JULIANA & JOSEPH A. CULLEN
	Security measures - records	3/30/53	" b6 b7C b7D
	Security measures - General	3/9/53	JAMES N. JULIANA
T-27 [redacted]	Re 2/3/53 delegation to Albany, NY re rental hearings	2/3/53	BOYNTON C. LEONARD
	Re 3/3/53 delegation to Albany, NY re rental hearings	3/3/53	"
m-28 [redacted]	Progressive Party National Board meeting, 2/1/53	2/5/53	RUSSELL M. GWYNNE
	Underground operations: Reorganization-leadership difficulties attributable to arrests	February, 1953	Pittsburgh let. to Director, 2/19/53 re CP, USA, COMFUGS IS - C

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T-28 [redacted]	Underground operations: Modus operandi	March, 1953	Pittsburgh let. to Director, 3/12/53, "CP, USA; COMFUGS; IS - C"
	Underground operations: discipline	12/29/52	RUSSELL M. GWYNNE
	Underground operations: National Underground Board planned	2/21/53	Pittsburgh let. b7D to Director, 2/26/53, "CP, USA; COMFUGS; IS - C"
m-20 [redacted]	Underground operations: General	January, 1953	Pittsburgh let. to Director, 1/21/53, "CP, USA; COMFUGS; IS - C"
	Info on dissention over Negro leadership in CP	1/9/53	
	2/19/53, parole appli- cations of POTASH & DAVIS	2/19/53	
	3/5/53	3/5/53	
	Meeting of farm coopera- tive leaders in New Jersey in 2/1953	2/10/53	
	Security measures - "Daily Worker"	2/10/53	
	Security measures - registration	12/30/53	

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[REDACTED] Documentation of Progressive Party

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[REDACTED] Documentation of NNLG

[REDACTED] Documentation of "Freedom"

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[REDACTED] Current location of
headquarters of NY
County CP, & state of
CP finances

3/25/53

JOHN W. DOOLEY

[REDACTED] Condition of ALBERT
FRANCIS LANNON

3/25/53

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[REDACTED] yment of rent for
remises at 268 7 Ave.,
C; extent of CP
tivity at this address

3/17/53

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ployment by SAM JAFFE

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Info re CP personnel

1/1/53
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3/31/53

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T-35 [redacted]	1/22/53, possible alternate leadership of CP	1/22/53	
T-36 [redacted]	Documentation of Methodist Federation for Social Action		
NYC (Anonymity requested)			
T-37 [redacted]	Payment of rent for remises at 9 West Burnside Ave., Bronx, NY	3/30/53	JAMES E. GIBLER
T-38 WF 796-S*	2/5/53, delegation to Attorney General on behalf of DAVIS	2/5/53	
T-39 Pretext telephone call	Position of Rev. JACK R. McMICHAEL as Secy. of Methodist Federation for Social Action	4/10/53	EDWARD J. CIBULAY

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T-40 LOUIS F. BUDENZ	Documentation of Rev. JACK R. McMICHAEL		
T-111 [redacted]	Instruction to CP members to join church groups and similar organizations	3/27/53	RICHARD H. BLASSER
T-112 [redacted] b7D	Underground operations: Reorganization-leader- ship difficulties attributable to arrests	2/6/53 3/12/53 3/20/53 3/26/53	Detroit letters to Director, 2/20; 3/13, 20, 27; 4/3/53 en- titled "CP, USA; COMFUGS; IS - C"
	Underground operations: CP discipline	February, 1953	Detroit letter to Director, 2/6/53 entitled "CP, USA. COMFUGS; IS - C"
	Security measures - general	3/12/53	Detroit letter to Director, 3/13/53 entitled "CP, USA. COMFUGS; IS - C"
T-113 [redacted]	Underground operations: Modus operandi	1/1/53 3/2/53	PETER R. DURLAND

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T-44 [Redacted]	Underground operations: 1/21/53 Modus operandi		JOHN J. CONLON
(Concealed by request)			
T-45 [Redacted]	Underground operations: 2/11/53 Modus operandi		ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON
T-46 Not available	Underground operations: February, 1953 Modus operandi		San Francisco letter to Direct- 2/11/53, entitle- "ARTIE BROWN, wa- IS - C" b7D 100-3282)
T-47 [Redacted]	Underground operations: 1/13/53 surprise CP demonstra- tion		JOHN A. HARRINGT
T-48 [Redacted]	Security measures - communications	1/26/53	Pittsburgh air- tel, 1/26/53
T-49 [Redacted]	Security measures - communications	1/1 to 3/31/53	
[Redacted]	Security measures - communications	1/1 to 3/31/53	

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T-51 [redacted]	Security measures - communications	1/1 to 3/31/53	
T-52 [redacted]	Security measures - use of couriers	3/30/53	New Orleans airtel to Director, 3/30/53 entitled "CP, USA, Under-ground Operations; IS - C"
T-53 [redacted]	Security measures - use of couriers	2/6/53	JOHN E. KELLY
T-54 [redacted] PSI	Security measures - "Daily Worker"	2/10/53	Boston radiogram, 2/10/53 entitled "CP, USA, Security Measures; IS - C"
T-55 [redacted]	Security measures - CP meetings	2/11/53	Chicago airtel to Director, 2/12/53
T-56 [redacted]	Security measures - 1954 CP convention	2/1/53	CLARK E. WILLIS, JR.
T-57 [redacted]	Security measures - recruiting	1/19/53	Springfield let. 1/19/53 "CP, USA, Dist., #8, Springfield Div.; IS-C"
T-58 Former [redacted]	Documentation of AVP.		

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will follow and report pertinent activities of District Number Two, CP, USA, for the quarterly period, April 1 to June 30, 1953.

REFERENCE Report of SA RUSSELL S. GARNER, 1/19/53, New York.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK

FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE APR 16 1953	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/1-4/15/53	REPORT MADE BY JOSEPH V. WATERS
TITLE COMMUNIST PARTY, USA		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

QUARTERLY PERIOD - JANUARY 1
THROUGH MARCH 31, 1953

Conviction of 13 CP leaders on 1/21/53 for violation of Smith Act not expected to terminate their leadership for the present because of anticipated appeals. WILLIAM Z. FOSTER remains as National Chairman with New York "Daily Mirror" report of his ouster denied. Membership of CP described to informant as stagnant because of distrust of members' loyalty to the Party. No general fund drives now in progress, but several district drives are scheduled for near future. Due to arrests of top CP functionaries Party is encountering difficulties in obtaining alternate leadership. Undergrbund operation has resulted in impairing Party's efficiency. CP, USA, Underground Buro reportedly has been planned for June, 1953. CP group system limiting size of club continued. CP following caution in utilizing telephones, mail, and in attending meetings. Evidence of concern over loyalty of membership revealed. Informant has reported visit of CP member to Russian Embassy, Washington, D.C., with aim of fostering factional fight rather than improving Party's leadership. EISENHOWER attacked for war-like character of his administration; cease fire in Korea urged. Anti-Semitism in Soviet area denied, with distinction made as to Zionism. STALIN mourned as "greatest man of our times." U.S. Senate Sub-Committee on Internal Security held hearing on 2/19/53 at NYC

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Done in
few days
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re UN employees suspected of subversive activity. FOSTER, in "Daily Worker" article, denounced US attempts at UN to brand USSR war aggressor. CESAR ANDREU IGLESIAS, General Secretary, Puerto Rican CP, protested use of Puerto Rican soldiers in Korea as "cannon fodder." Committee on Puerto Rican Affairs charged that Puerto Rican troops are used as mercenaries in colonial struggle of imperialist powers. Informant advises draft resolution of National Committee, CP, USA, released 12/28/52 for discussion, is intended to put CP policy in line with new program outlined by congress of CPSU and envisages a broad united front with masses in Democratic Party and right wing organizations generally. FOSTER calls for repeal of Smith, McCarran and Taft-Hartley Acts. Opposition to UMT renewed. CP continues efforts to expand campaign in behalf of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG. FBI assailed as American counterpart of "Hitler's Gestapo." CP hopes to use STEVE NELSON case as next "international propaganda medium" and is endeavoring to publicize all aspects of case. CP plans infiltration of right wing labor, and it attaches great importance to its industrial concentration and "colonization" policies. "Vet's Voice" of AVP urges cease fire in Korea to end "senseless war." "Vet's Voice" has also urged clemency for ROSENBERGS as victims of war hysteria. VALB condoled ANDREI GROMYKO on death of STALIN. Informant reports dissension in CP over seizure of leadership by "negro Nationalists," who use Party and Marxism for negro rights struggle. DW charges conspiracy to protect New York Police in brutality against negroes and conspiracy to make commonplace murder of US negro. Negro history week in February was

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occasion for marking contributions of Marxists to Negro history. LYL urges members to join right wing organizations to effect struggle for peace. LYL in drive for 450 new NY members. "Youth Review" to be new Marxist Quarterly. 150 women reported in DW to have signed plea for amnesty to convicted "11" CP leaders. Capitalist morality blamed for JELKE compulsory prostitution case. CP stimulating union organization of Puerto Rican farm laborers in New York area. Program for Southern People urges extensive aid to small farmers. Value of progressive cultural work among Jewish masses urged by "Morning Freiheit." NCASP sponsoring series of lectures in NYC on "Our National Culture" by JOHN HOWARD LAWSON. DW condemns American Legion for its protest of Chaplin's "Limelight." 7 locals of Nature Friends of America have seceded from national organization because of pro-Communist policies. DW ran series of articles in January and February on Prague trial, condemning Zionism and the charge of anti-Semitism levelled against it. Puerto Rican CP considering resident representative in NYC to promote liaison with CP, USA. DW publicizes support of clergymen for clemency for ROSENBERGS, repeal of McCarran Act, and amnesty for "11" leaders. Anti-Semitism in USSR subject of several pamphlets. Book by STEVE NELSON, "The Volunteers," published. DW and "The Worker" subscription drive in progress. Jefferson School of Social Science reported to be in difficulty in recruiting students with opening of Spring Term delayed one week.

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GLOSSARY OF ORGANIZATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

The following is a list of organizations and publications referred to in this report, together with a characterization of each. These documentations will not be repeated elsewhere in the report:

AMERICAN LABOR PARTY (ALP)

A political party in New York State which is Communist controlled and dominated, according to Confidential Informant T-11.

AMERICAN VETERANS FOR PEACE (AVP)

A Communist front veteran's organization, according to Confidential Informant T-50.

CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS (CRC)

Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order #9835.

COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF GREEK-AMERICANS

A Communist dominated and controlled organization, according to Confidential Informant T-18.

CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLES FOR PEACE

Held in the Russian sector of Vienna from December 12, 1952 to December 20, 1952. The Congress was a "propaganda blast" at the United States and accused the United States and the United Nations forces of terrible atrocities in Korea while extolling the peaceful intentions of the USSR, according to Confidential Informant T-20.

"DAILY WORKER" (DW)

An East Coast Communist daily newspaper.

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FAMILIES OF THE SMITH ACT VICTIMS

An organization formed to raise money to assist the families of CP leaders prosecuted under the Smith Act, according to Confidential Informant T-19.

"FREEDOM"

The editorial board of "Freedom" is composed of Communist Party members and Communist Party sympathizers, according to Confidential Informant T-48.

"GREEK-AMERICAN TRIBUNE"

A pro-Communist weekly newspaper, printed in Greek and English and is the Greek organ of the Communist Party, USA, according to Confidential Informant T-18.

"INTERNATIONAL PUBLISHERS"

Book publishing concern of the Communist Party, according to T-11.

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF STUDENTS (IUS)

Cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities in its report on April 17, 1947.

JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE (JSSS)

Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order #9835.

"JEWISH LIFE"

"...We of 'Jewish Life' owe a special debt to the 'Morning Freiheit' for we are its English speaking off-spring." (April, 1952, Page 22, Columns 1 and 2)

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LABOR YOUTH LEAGUE (LYL)

Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order #9835.

"LEAGUE BUILDER"

A bulletin issued by National Administrative Department of the Labor Youth League.

"MASSES & MAINSTREAM"

Has been identified by T-11 as being the cultural monthly magazine of the Communist Party.

MAGAZINE

"MORNING FREIHEIT"

"The Worker" of January 9, 1944, Section 2, Page 3, contained an article by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, Chairman of the Communist Party, USA, in which he stated that the "Morning Freiheit" is one of the many papers either owned or supported by the Communist Party.

METHODIST FEDERATION FOR SOCIAL ACTION (MFSA)

While not an official agency of the Methodist Church, the MFSA has closely followed the Communist Party line for years, according to Confidential Informant T-48.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO REPEAL THE McCARRAN ACT (NCRMA)

A Communist front organization created for the purpose of securing repeal of the Internal Security Act of 1950, commonly called the McCarran Act, according to Confidential Informant T-4.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS (NCASP)

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NATIONAL NEGRO LABOR COUNCIL

A Communist Party Negro front organization, according to T-44.

NATIONALIST PARTY OF PUERTO RICO (NPPR)

Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order #9835.

NATURE FRIENDS OF AMERICA, INC.

Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order #9835.

NEW CENTURY PUBLISHERS

Considered by T-11 to be the pamphlet publishing house of the Communist Party.

"NEW CHALLENGE"

A monthly publication of the Labor Youth League.

"NEW FOUNDATIONS"

An "Appeal to Students in Defense of Academic Freedom," published by the editors of "New Foundations" and furnished by Confidential Informant T-4 on October 29, 1951, describes this publication as a "student Marxist magazine."

PROGRESSIVE PARTY (PP)

According to Confidential Informant T-46, this organization has not been free to criticize the foreign policy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republic (USSR) since June 1950 and has always consistently followed the Soviet Union's foreign policy as opposed to that of the United States.

The "Daily Worker" of November 3, 1952, Page 5, Column 1, stated that the Progressive Party is the American Labor Party in New York State.

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SELF DEFENSE COMMITTEE OF THE SEVENTEEN (Victims of the Smith Act)

A committee made up of the 17 Communist Party leaders who went on trial on April 28, 1952 in the Southern District of New York, charged with violation of the Smith Act, and formed to raise money in their defense, according to Confidential Informant T-19.

THE UNITED COMMITTEE OF JEWISH SOCIETIES AND LANDSMANSHAFT FEDERATIONS

Serves as a central or coordinating committee and is composed of various national Jewish organizations and trade unions and follows the Communist Party line, according to Confidential Informant T-19.

VETERANS OF THE ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE (VALB)

Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order #9835.

"THE WORKER"

Sunday edition of the "Daily Worker," described hereinbefore.

WORLD FEDERATION OF DEMOCRATIC YOUTH (WFDY)

Cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities in its report on April 17, 1947.

YIDDISHER KULTUR FARBAND (YKUF)

Cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order #9835.

"YOUTH & CONGRESS"

A bulletin of Educational Department of the Labor Youth League.

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"YOUTH NOTES"

A monthly publication of Educational Department of
the Labor Youth League.

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DETAILS:

This is a joint report covering pertinent activities of the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA), during the quarterly period, January 1 to March 31, 1953, prepared by the following Special Agents:

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Re: MEMBERSHIP(Bufile 100-3-68
(New York file 100-80638)

This section was prepared by SA Joseph V. Waters.

1953 Registration of Members

Confidential Informant T-5 has described the form used by the Communist Party in its 1953 registration of its members in the Bronx as a mimeographed form 11" long and 7 3/4" wide. It has a number appearing on the upper and lower left-hand corners of the sheet, both numbers being the same. On the left-hand side of the sheet there are numbers from one to ten beginning at the bottom. Also appearing on the sheet are ten columns leaving space for the following information.

Numerical identification	Member Registered
Age of member	
Sex of member	
National Group of Member	
Length of membership in Communist Party	
Occupation	
Union Affiliation with name and number of local	
Membership in mass organization	
Any membership in Labor Youth League	
Indication of Visit to member by police or FBI.	

Confidential Informant T-5 noted that in the course of registration all information noted above is to be obtained concerning each member, with particular reference to his membership in a union and the type of work of that member. The informant had been given to understand that the Party is reverting to the policy of 1951 when every member of an important union or industry was to be placed in a proper unit.

The informant further noted that as each member was registered and notations made on the sheet beginning at the bottom line (number one) that portion of the sheet was to be removed and returned to the section officer handling registration.

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Confidential Informant T-5 advised on February 1, 1953 that [redacted] as quickly as possible in order that the Party may move on to its next task, that being [redacted]

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Status of Communist Party Membership

Confidential Informant T-7 states that he has learned that the CP realizes that it is presently stagnant and the reason for this condition is attributed to the fact that no one trusts any one else. The Party has a feeling that it is infested with "stool pigeons" and therefore is afraid to do anything. This informant has also advised that he has learned that the Party has recently issued instructions for members to become active in trade unions as well as other mass organizations. The instructions were issued in the hope that such activity will arouse the enthusiasm of members from the present feeling of indifference.

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T-1 [redacted]	Statement of MELVIN WILLIAMSON on 2/1/53	2/10/53	STANLEY R. SHARP
	LYL policy of joining mass organizations	3/16/53	JOSEPH V. WATERS
T-2 Confidential mail box of NY Office	"Youth Notes", Vol. II, #1, January, 1953	2/13/53	JOHN T. MURPHY
	"Youth Notes", Vol. II, #2, February, 1953	3/16/53	"
	"Youth & Congress", #1, 3/15/53	3/16/53	"
T-3 [redacted]	"League Builder", bulletin #1, 2/20/53 (photostatic copy)	3/10/53	RICHARD F. McELIECE
T-4 [redacted]	New Century Publisher letters, 2/5/53	2/10/53	JAMES E. GIBLER
	Documentation of "New Foundations"		
	Documentation of National Committee to Repeal the McCarran Act.		
T-5 [redacted]	Underground operations: surprise CP demonstration	1/10/53	JOHN W. DOOLEY
	1953 membership registration	1/21/53	"

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	Status of DW subscription drive	"	"
	Underground operations: modus operandi	2/16/53	"
	Security measures - CP meetings	2/17/53	" b7D
T-6 [redacted]	1953 membership registration	1/19/53	HERBERT B. GRANT
	Security measures - 1953 registration	"	"
T-7 [redacted]	Retention of office by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER	3/5/53	ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON
	Status of membership & instructions to join mass organizations	3/17/53	"
	Underground operations: reorganization-leadership difficulties attributable to arrests	3/15, 17/53	"
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T-8 [redacted]	1/22/53, possible alternate leadership of CP	1/22/53	
	2/20/53, internal difficulties of DW staff	2/26/53	b7D
	3/5 & 12/53, retention of office by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER	3/5 & 12/53	
[redacted]	11/22/52 - 12/2/52 CP plan to infiltrate right wing labor	12/19/52	CARL N. FREYMAN
	Draft resolution effects on Progressive Party	1/13/53	"
	Security measures - communications	12/19/53	"
	Security measures - hindrance to party operations	"	"
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	Effects of draft resolution on CP leadership	1/13/53	"
	Retention of office by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER	3/5/53	CGO airtel, 3/6/53, entitled "CP, USA; IS - C"
T-10 [redacted]	Letter, 1/15/53; New Century Publishers	1/15/53	W. NATHAN PROVINSE
m 77 [redacted]	Documentation of "Masses & Mainstream", New Century Publishers, International Publishers and American Labor Party		b7D
	Underground operations: general	10/13/52	Testimony before Senate Internal Security Sub- committee
	Security measures - background	Early 1952	ARBOR W. GRAY
	Security measures - 1948 Nat'l. Convention	"	"
T-12 [redacted]	Underground operations: reorganization-leader- ship difficulties attributable to arrests	1/16, 21, 27/53	
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efficiency of CP impaired

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informers

Film & article prepared 2/1/53
for Puerto Rican farm
laborers

Info re CP activities 2/15/53
among Puerto Ricans

Press release issued by 2/21/53
Committee on Puerto
Rican Affairs

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Printed leaflet entitl- 3/12/53
ed "The African People
Demand Freedom Now"

Chicago airtel
3/12/53 entitled
"CP, USA-Colonial
Matters; IS - C"
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Info re GIL GREEN Fund 4/1/53

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registration

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JOHN W. DOOLEY
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T-15 [redacted]	Veto Voice, Vol. V, #2, February, 1953, official organ of AVP	2/2/53	J. E. GIBLER
	Jefferson School of Social Science Stu- dent Weekly, 1/12/53	2/9/53	E. K. DEANE & SE B. E. WEBB
	Jefferson School of Social Science Stu- dent Weekly, 1/26/53	2/9/53	J. E. GIBLER & SE B. E. WEBB b7D
	NCASP Rally for ROSENBERGS, 3/29/53	2/23/53	SE B. E. WEBB
	Vet Voice, Vol. V, #2, March, 1953	3/16/53	SA E. K. DEANE & SE N. J. HAND
m 16 [redacted]	Security measures- communications	1/26/53	Pittsburgh airtel 1/26/53 (NY 100-81338)
	Meeting of members of Dist. #5, CP Branch 610, Pittsburgh, Pa.	2/27/53	Pittsburgh letter 2/27/53 (NY 100-80633)
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	Documentation of "Greek American Tribune"		b7D
	Documentation of Committee for Protection of Greek-Americans		
T-19 [redacted]	Conference of the Jewish Committee for Peace	1/13/53	JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Documentation of the United Committee of Jewish Societies		
	Documentation of Yiddisher Kultur Farband		
	Underground operations: Modus operandi	2/3/53	JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Underground operations: CP groups	2/4/53	"
	Info re Negro History Week	2/17/53	"
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T-21 [redacted]	Defection in the CP due to anti-Semitism.	2/3/53 B	ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON
T-22 [redacted]	Info re the Yugoslav- American Home	3/30/53	HEINRICH VON ECKARDT
T-22 [redacted]	Documentation of LESTER COLE	7/26/50	b7D
	Documentation of JOHN HOWARD LAWSON		
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T-25 POS, NYO	Lectures by JOHN HOWARD LAWSON sponsor- ed by NCASP, 3/20/53, 3/27/53, 4/10/53 and 4/17/53	2/28/53	WILFRED R. SCHLARMIN
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T-30 [redacted]	Made available bank statements and can- celled checks of the Families of the Smith Act Victims	2/2/53 3/2/53 4/1/53	" b7D
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	CP plan for publicizing Smith Act cases separately	3/13/53	JAMES N. JULIANA
	Underground operations: Modus operandi	1/26; 3/9/53	JAMES N. JULIANA; JOSEPH A. CULLEN
	Underground operations: Efficiency of CP impaired	2/16/53	JOSEPH A. CULLEN
	Underground operations: Communist fugitives	1/26/53	JAMES N. JULIANA JOSEPH A. CULLEN
	Underground operations: General	1/26/53	"
	Security measures - Peekskill Convention, 1949	2/16/53	JAMES N. JULIANA
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T-38 [redacted]	Condition of SAMUEL JAFFE	2/2/53	JOHN W. DOOLEY
	Possible termination of SARAH JAFFE'S employment	2/2/53	" b6 b7C b7D
	Current location of headquarters of NY County CP & state of CP finances	3/25/53	"
	Condition of ALBERT FRANCIS LANNON	3/25/53	"
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	xtent of CP activi- y at this address		
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T-41 NY-590-S*	1/21/53	1/21/53	
[redacted] m-10	Failure of PETTIS PERRY to appear at Hartford, Conn., on 3/21/53	3/22/53	New Haven airtel to Bureau 3/22/53 b7D
T-43 [redacted]	P.P. National Board meeting of 2/1/53	2/5/53	RUSSELL M. GWYNNE
	Underground operations: Reorganization--Leadership Difficulties Attributable to Arrests	Feb. 1953	Pittsburgh letter to Director 2/19/53 re CP, USA-Comfugs; IS-C
	Underground operations: Modus Operandi	March 1953	Pittsburgh letter to Director 3/12/53 re CP, USA-Comfugs; IS-C
	Underground operations: Discipline	12/29/52	RUSSELL M. GWYNNE

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	Underground operations: General	Jan. 1953	Pittsburgh letter to Director, 1/21/53, CP, USA, Comfugs; IS - C

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[redacted] Documentation of CLAUDIA JONES

Attendance of **PHILIS PERRY** at meeting of NCDNL on 1/11/53 1/22/53 RICHARD H. BLASSER

Attendance of **ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN** at STEVE NELSON Rally on 3/8/53 3/9/53 RICHARD H. BLASSER

Documentation of National Negro Labor Council

Documentation of "Freedom"

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	Memo on Negro History week	2/6/53	"
	Security Measures - Meetings	2/16/53	"
	Security Measures - Transfers	2/16/53	"
	Security Measures - Meetings	3/12/53	"
	Security Measures - General	3/12/53	"
	Underground operations: Modus Operandi	3/25/53	"
	Security Measures - "Daily Worker"	3/25/53	"
	Security Measures - Meetings	3/12/53	"

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T-48 [redacted]	Documentation of Methodist Federation for Social Action		
N.Y.C. anonymity re- quested.			
T-49 Pretext telephone call	Position of Rev. JACK R. McMICHAEL as Secretary of Methodist Federation for Social Action, 150 5 Ave., NYC	4/10/53	EDWARD J. CLY b6 b7C b7D
T-50 Former [redacted]	Documentation of American Veterans for Peace		
T-51 [redacted]	Instruction to CP members to join church groups and similar organizations	3/27/53	RICHARD H. BLASSER

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T-52 [redacted]	Underground operations: Reorganization - Leadership Difficulties Attributable to Arrests	2/6; 3/12, 20, 26/52	Detroit letters to Director, 2/20; 3/13, 20, 27 and 4/13/53 re CP, USA - Comfugs; IS - C
	Underground operations :CP Discipline	Feb. 1953	Detroit letter to Director 2/6/53 re CP, USA - Comfugs; IS - C
	Security Measures - General	3/12/53	Detroit letter to Director 3/13/53 re CP, USA - Comfugs; IS - b7D
m-53 [redacted]	Underground operations - Modus Operandi	1/13/53 3/2/53	PETER R. DURLAND
T-54 [redacted]	Underground operations :Modus Operandi	1/21/53	JOHN J. CONLON
(concealed by request)			
T-55 [redacted]	Underground operations: Modus Operandi	2/11/53	ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON

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T-56 Not available	Underground operations: Modus Operandi	2/3/53	ROBERT L. HAMILTON San Francisco letter to Director 2/11/53 re: ARTIE BROWN, was; IS-C (Bufile 100-3282) and report 4/1/53 of SA ROBERT L. HAMILTON re: ARTIE BROWN, was.; IS - C; ISA 1950
T-57 [redacted]	Underground operations: Surprise CP Demonstration	1/13/53	JOHN A. HARRINGTON
T-58 NY-767-S*	Security Measures - Communications	1/1/53 3/31/53	
m-59 [redacted]	"	"	
T-60 NY-822-S*	"	"	
m-61 [redacted]	Security Measures - use of couriers	3/30/53	Airtel from New Orleans to Bureau 3/30/53 entitled: CP, USA, Under-ground Operations; IS - C

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m-62 [redacted]	Security Measures - use of couriers	2/6/53	SA JOHN E. KELLY
T-63 [redacted]	Security Measures -	2/10/53	Boston radiogram 2/10/53 entitled: CP, USA, Security Measures; IS - C
m-64 [redacted]	Security Measures - CP meetings	2/11/53	Chicago airtel to Director 2/12/53
T-65 [redacted]	Security Measures - 1954 CP convention	2/15/53	SA CLARK E. WILLIS Jr.
T-66 [redacted]	Security Measures -	1/19/53	Springfield letter 1/19/53 entitled, CP, USA, District #8, Springfield Division; IS - C

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REFERENCE

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